nationwide test

Crawford County Emergency Management officials are urging citizens not to panic when an upcoming nationwide emergency test is

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Federal Communications Commission and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration will conduct the first nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System.

The nationwide test will occur at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9 eastern time and may last up to three and a half minutes. The public will hear a message indicating, "that this is a test." The audio message will be the same for both radio, television and cable. Page 5

SPORTS

League win streak ends at 11 for volleyball



The GHS varsity girls volleyball team lost for the first time this year in conference play, ending its league winning streak at 11 with a 3-2 series loss vs. the visiting Charlevoix Rayders on Thursday.

Grayling trailed 15-8 early in game one, but the Vikings battled back, tying the game at 20-20 late in the match. Charlevoix won 25-23 in game one. The Rayders took a 2-0 series advantage with a 25-12 victory in game two.

The Vikings rallied to win the next two games, both by scores of 25-22, forcing a decisive game five. Charlevoix won the rubber match 15-10, giving Grayling its first loss in league play this season. Page 13

Playoff run ends with 4-2 district loss vs. Chiefs



Grayling High School's varsity boys soccer team posted one win and one loss during its playoff run last week, ending its 2011 season with a 4-2 district loss vs. the Cheboygan

Chiefs on Thursday night. The Vikings advanced to the District 48-3 semifinals with a 6-3 victory vs. the Bobcats of Houghton Lake on Tuesday night in a game played at Houghton Lake High School. Page 12

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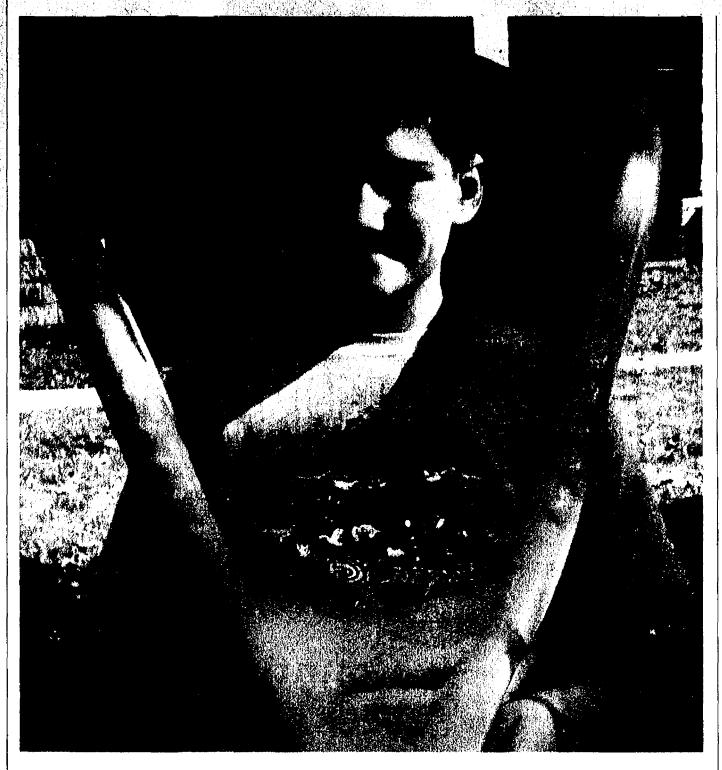
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FAMILIES SPEND SUNNY FALL WEEKEND IN THE CITY PARK

A number of families stopped in the Grayling City Park to enjoy the sunny fall weather over the weekend. Above, Lincoln Minthorn of Merritt tests out a new swing purchased through the Grayling Parks and Recreation Committee as his family paid the community a visit.

Photo by Dan Sanderson

Township board appoints supervisor

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

A Grayling Charter Township resident, who honed his skills in Grayling as a car salesman and manager, was appointed to serve as the township supervisor last week.

The Grayling Charter Township Board unanimously appointed Richard Harland to serve as the township supervisor at its regular monthly meeting.

Grayling Charter Township Supervisor Terry Wright is scheduled to retire on Friday, Oct. 28 after holding the office for 15 years. Wright, who is moving to Florida, has about a year left on an unexpired term.

Michael Duffy, who ran against Wright in the last general election, was the other finalist for the appointment.

Grayling Charter Township Trustee Shawn Kraycs said he believes Harland's experience with finances and management would suit the township well.

"I believe it would be in our best interest to appoint him to the position and I think he is someone that will serve the community well," Krayes said.

Harland started on the job training with Wright this week.

"I look forward to working with a great team of people to make this a great place to live maybe even a little bit better," Harland

Last month, the Grayling Township Board unanimously voted to reject the Township Administrative Grayling See TOWNSHIP | Pg. 7

CASD student numbers down

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

The Crawford AuSable School District's enrollment for the 2011-12 school year was down by 20 students in a critical count taken for a majority of funds schools receive from the state.

Crawford AuSable School District Superintendent Joe Powers said the fourth Friday count, which was taken by school districts on Sept. 23, came in at 1,669 students. The count, taken in June, was 1,689 students, Powers said.

Powers reported the student numbers to the Crawford AuSable Schools Board of Education at its regular monthly meeting last week.

"It was disappointing, but it does seem to be the normal trend," Powers said of declining enroll-

The fourth Friday count is used as a base to account for 75 percent of a school district's funding for the year. The drop in students for the Crawford AuSable School District means the school district will receives \$140,000 less from the

Powers said the school district will cut the budget over the course of the year since the decline in K-12 students was not concentrated in any one grade level.

"We will try to address the deficit throughout the year rather than at any one point," Powers said.

The decline in school dollars is on top of a \$1.2 million drop in funds the schools received from the state for the 2011-12 school year.

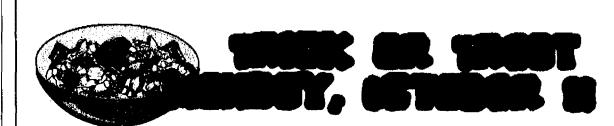
Currently, Powers said school officials are educating voters about Crawford-Oscoda-Ogemaw-Roscommon Intermediate School District (COOR ISD) special education millage that will be on the Nov.

8 general election ballot. Voters are being asked to consider the millage increase of \$.5852 to a total of 1.2181 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation in November.

The total amount generated by the 1.2181 millage rate would equal \$3,573,411, an increase of \$1,716,739. If approved, the average funds per special education student would be \$2,521, an increase of approximately \$1,000 from where it is currently.

In May, Crawford County voters passed the special education millage, which voters are now being asked to reconsider, by a 488 yes to 416 no vote. The millage in the ISD's four-county service area, however, was defeated by a 4,684 no to 2,878 yes vote.

The millage was also supported See CASD | Pg. 20



The Grayling City Police are recommending that trick or treating take place in Grayling from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 31.

With witches, goblins, and super-heroes descending on neighborhoods, the City of Grayling offers parents some safety tips to help prepare their children for a safe and enjoyable trick-or-treat holiday. Halloween should be filled with surprise and enjoyment, and following some common sense practices can keep events safer and more fun.

- Walk, slither, and sneak on sidewalks, not in the street.
- Look both ways before crossing the street to check for cars, trucks and low-flying brooms.
- Cross the street only at corners.
- Don't hide or cross the street between parked cars.
- Wear light-colored or reflective-type clothing so you are more visible and remember to put reflective tape on bikes, skateboards, and brooms, too.
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- Plan your route and share it with your family. If possible, have an adult go with you.
- Carry a flashlight to light your way.
- Keep away from open fires and candles. Costumes can be extremely flammable.
- Visit homes that have the porch light on.
- Accept your treats at the door and never go into a stranger's house.
- Use face paint rather than masks or things that will cover your eyes.
- Be cautious of animals and strangers.
- Have a grown-up inspect your treats before eating and don't eat candy if the package is already opened. Small, hard pieces of candy are a choking hazard for young children.



The quest for 9-0

Grayling High School's football teams both varsity and junior varsity - were 8-0 going into last Friday's doubleheader at Traverse City. The JV squad won its match against Traverse City St. Francis by a final score of 22-12, ending its season with a 9-0 record. The varsity team lost by one point, 20-19, vs. the Gladiators in its bid for the first undefeated season in program history. The Vikings (8-1 overall) will host a Division 5 (District 1, Region 1) playoff game on Friday, Oct. 28, at 7 p.m. vs. Benzie Central (7-2).

FOR MORE ON GRAYLING'S FOOT-BALL DOUBLEHEADER AT TRAVERSE CITY, SEE PAGES 10-11.



Mitchell Thompson, left, and Geoff Wilson, right, celebrate the JV team's 9-0 finish following Friday's game at Traverse City.



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Forest of Fear ready to scare up some Halloween fun

The Forest of Fear, located off of Stephan Bridge Road, will cap off another year on Halloween weekend this Friday and Saturday. Volunteers are raising funds for the Crawford County Community Help Center and the Frederic Food Bank. Above left, a miniature monster is pictured as her station in the Forest of Fear maze. Above right, a female vampire is pictured taking part in the Forest of Fear.

Photos courtesy of Jennie Fisher

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County commissioner seeks to cap board benefits

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

Although a plan to cap salary and health care benefits for Crawford County Commissions was rejected by a majority of the board, a study is still underway to determine what officials from like size counties are

being paid.

Dave Stephenson, chairman of the Crawford County Board Commissioners, proposed to cap the amount a single commissioner receives. Under his proposal, a county commissioner could only receive \$11,000 in pay and health care benefits and the chairman of the board would receive \$12,000 in pay and health care benefits.

Currently, county commissioners receive \$8,631 to serve on the board and the chairman receives \$9,345. Health care benefit packages budgeted for the 2011-12 fiscal year, which started on Oct. 1, cost \$6,400 for a single person and \$14,000 for a couple. Health care coverage for a family is even higher, but no commissioner on the board

plan.

Stephenson proposed the idea to the board earlier this month so potential candidates running in 2013 would know what the compensation packages entail.

Stephenson said the current board must address how local government oper-

"We're not even part-time employees and we're getting all of the same full-benefit which just seems to be pretty extreme for the amount of time that we put in as commissioners," Stephenson said. "We're trying to change how this works in government and we need to start addressing that. This isn't a full time position."

Stephenson's proposal failed by a 4-to-2 vote of the

Capping the cost would have saved the county \$60,000 at a time when officials are tapping into the county's fund balance to cover operating cost.

"It's trying times and we're trying to set an example on how we need to

accepts a family health care change," Stephenson said. "If somebody has a better idea, throw it out there."

> County commissioners agreed to cut their pay in when Administrator Paul Compo was hired in 1998.

Pay for the board members has crept back up over the years.

"It was a pretty lucrative position a long time ago," said County Commissioner Terry Beardslee.

Compo was directed to gather information regarding board benefits from counties with similar taxable incomes.

"This could effect everyone of you and could effect a different board," Compo said.

Compo said only representatives from labor unions have checked on the pay county commissioners receive in the past.

The information will be presented to the county's ways and means committee, which oversees financial matters. The next ways and means committee is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 3.

Pit bulls seized following attack

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

The Crawford County Animal Control Officer and Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies are investigating a pit bull attack, which occurred in Grayling Charter Township on Friday.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield said Deputies were dispatched to the Grayling Mobile Estate on Friday, Oct. 21 for a pit bull attack.

When deputies arrived, they were told that the brother of the dog's owner took the pit bulls from the area after the attack.

The investigation led deputies to the scene of the attack, where a small black dog had been mauled and another small white dog was found decapitated from vicious Wakefield said.

The pit bulls and their owners were located at another location in the

Grayling area and were cited by Crawford County Animal Control Officer Gail Foguth. One of the dogs was still covered in blood, Wakefield.

Foguth took the dogs to the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter in order to protect the public.

Photographs were taken to aid in the investigation, but due to the graphic nature of the pictures, they are not being released, Wakefield said.

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Bank sign unearthed by construction workers

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

A sign, buried in the dirt for just over four decades, will be shared with the community as part of the 2011 Grayling Uptown District Association's Christmas Walk.

Signage for the Grayling State Bank was recently uncovered when the foundation of the building where Flowers by Josie is located was being repaired.

Flowers by Josie owner Ernie Dawson was amazed that workers found the sign. Made of an alloyed metal, the sign just had to have dirt and some rust cleared from the surface.

"I was surprised that it was in that good of shape since it was buried that far down and for so long," Dawson said.

John Alef, president of the Grayling Citizens Bank, which purchased the Grayling State Bank, said bank employees were pleased that a piece of the community's history was discovered.

"It's kind of an exciting find after all these years," Alef said.

The sign will be on display at Flowers by Josie for the Grayling Christmas Walk, which will be held from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 19.

The Grayling State Savings Bank was incorporated on Aug. 21, 1931 with an original capitalization of \$25,000 and \$5,000 surplus.

The original incorporators featured a who's who of the Grayling community, including M.A. Bates, Henry Bauman, John Bruun, George Burke, Dr. C.G. Clippert, Nelson Corwin, A.R. Craig, Earl W. Eawson, Esbern Hanson, Holger D. Hanson, Alfred Hanson, Carl W. Johnson, Dr. Claude Keyport, C.J. MacNamara. A.J. Nelson,

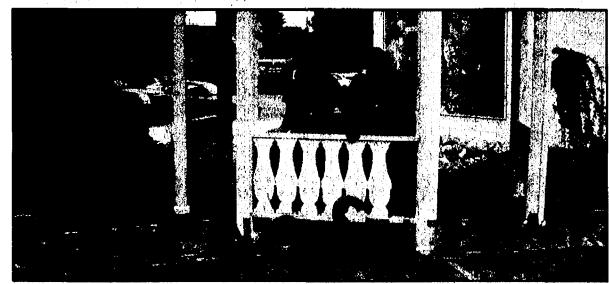


Photo by Dan Sanderson

Signage for the Grayling State Bank was recently uncovered when the foundation of the building where Flowers by Josie is located was being repaired, Above, Flowers by Josie employee Juan Portugal and helper Tomas Diaz are pictured with the sign.

Margarethe Nielsen, George N. Olson, T.P. Peterson, J.F. Smith George and Sorenson.

The bank opened for business in the Salling-Hanson building, located at 110 Michigan Avenue on Jan. 2,

In 1947, the bank moved to 212 Michigan, where Flowers by Josie is located.

The lot where the building stands was once owned by Nels Michelson, who sold it to business partner, Rasmus Hanson, who in turn sold it to his son Marius Hanson. Marius constructed the building and started the private Bank of Grayling sometime after World War I. During the Great Depression, the bank closed and went into receivership. Later, Dr. Jack Cook and Dr. Stanley Staehly operated their medical and dental offices in the building.

In 1947, Esbern Hanson owned the bank building, when Walter Truettner came to Grayling. He bought the building and opened the Grayling State Savings

He put an addition on the back of the building, and in 1955, it became the

Grayling State Bank. Around 1966, the building was again remodeled by adding the bay windows and pillars. The pillars came from a Lansing company, which had torn down the mansion owned by Dexter Ferry, who founded the Ferry Seeds Company in Detroit. In need of repair, Lee Marshall spent hours regluing the pillars before they were installed.

The Graying State Bank moved to its present location at 305 Michigan Avenue in March 1971. After the relocation the building sat vacant for several years. Emil Kraus assumed ownership of the property.

Citizens Bank purchased the Grayling State Bank in

Flowers by Josie also has a rich history in the community.

Flowers By Josie began as a flower shop owned by Esther Bryson in her home on Spruce Street. When she sold the business in 1961 to Josephine "Josie" McEvers, the shop was moved to the McEvers' home lat 302 Maple Street and became Flowers by Josie.

Ernie Dawson and Bob Cole purchased the business from Harry McEvers in April 1976, following

Josie's death. They operated the shop at the Maple Street address for several years with one employee, Annie Murphy, who had been with Josie for several years.

The following year, Dawson and Cole purchased the former Grayling State Bank building from Kraus, and moved Flowers by Josie to its present location.

Cole sold his interest in Flowers by Josie in 1990 and Dawson has been the sole owner since then.



photo of the Grayling State Bank, where Flowers by Josie is now located.

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DRINK This is one you

by Dan Sanderson

The Crawford AuSable Schools approved the sale of property the school disweek.

Mark and Ronetta Pindell, adjacent lot. The school district sold the lot, which the

years, for \$8,000, said Crawford AuSable School District Superintendent Joe Powers.

Powers said that some lots were donated to the school district by Melvin Nielson, the developer for the Sherwood Forest subdivision.

The lot the school district agreed to sell last week was purchased to be used for a home built by the Grayling

ed in purchasing for several High School's Building Trades Class. The lot was no longer needed since the building trades class are not building projects on site since construction now takes place at the school.

> The money from the sale will go into school district's general fund.

"It will be used to offset our operating deficit for this year," Powers said.

Schools board OKs land sale

Staff Writer

trict owned in the Sherwood Forest subdivision last The board agreed to sell the vacant parcel of land to

who own a home on an Pindells have been interest-

Warrants issued for child porn

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

Crawford County Sheriff's Office Deputies were involved in executing two search warrants last week regarding alleged child pornography.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield said deputies were involved with two separate search warrants during the early morning hours on Thursday, Oct. 20 in Grayling Charter Township.

Correction

A story titled "Local artist featured in museum exhibit," published in the Oct. 20 edition of the County Crawford incorrectly Avalanche, referred to the name of the art gallery Kim Diment opened in downtown Grayling with photographer/partner Ken Wright as the Mainstream Art Gallery. The correct name of the gallery is the Main Branch Gallery, LLC.

The Avalanche apologizes for the error.

Deputies, the Michigan State Police's Strike Team Investigative Narcotics Group (STING), a multijurisdictional drug team, along with the Homeland Security Investigation Team, which is part of the Bureau Federal Investigation, searched two locations. The two search

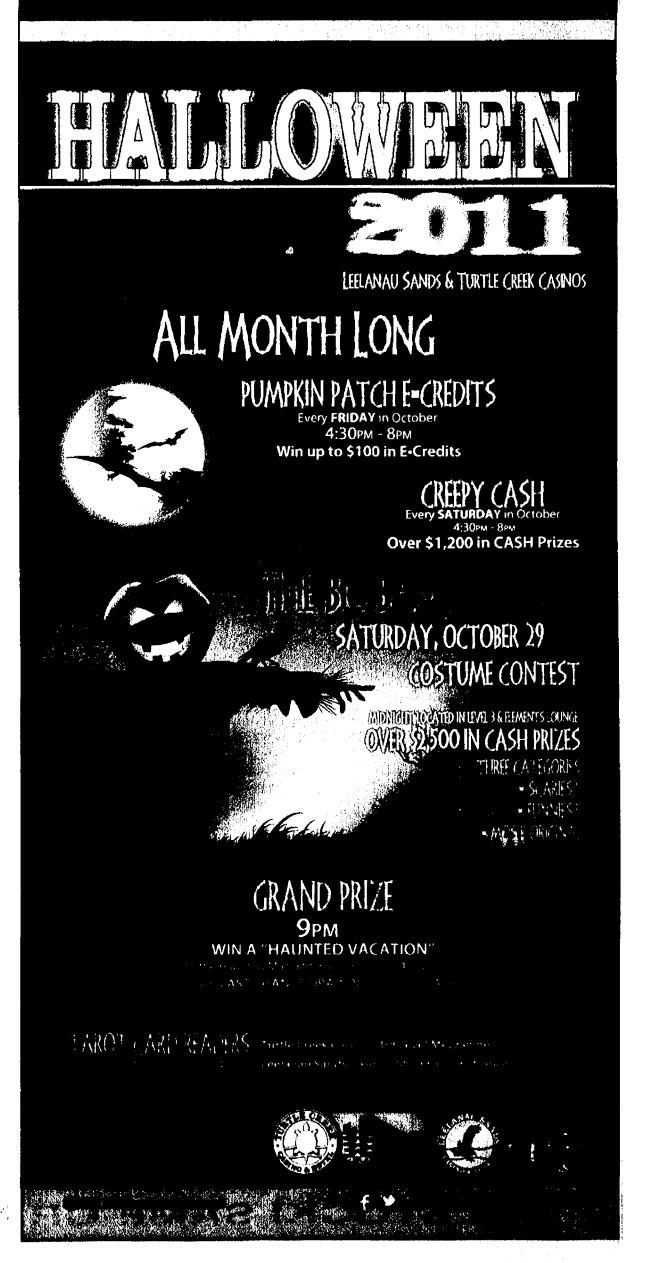
warrants pertained to child pornography, Wakefield

Property was seized at both locations and both cases are under further investigation, Wakefield

No further information is being released, Wakefield



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Issues and Opinions



Almanack

by Richard Milliman

Presidential picking process deserves new look

OUR NATIONAL system of picking candidates to run for president is about to shift into high gear.

This time around, it's only half a game, of course, since Democratic President Barack Obama's renomination is about as sure as anything ever gets in American politics.

The other half of the game belongs to Republicans, and it's almost time to get serious about it. Presidential primary/caucus time is creeping forward, and those of us interested in such things will have to start paying closer attention.

What has happened so far in the Republican campaign to run against Mr. Obama is prologue, but in a matter of a couple of months, the decision making starts in earnest.

time-honored The New Hampshire primary will be in a matter of weeks - maybe in January, maybe at Christmas time.

FOR SOME ODD and illogical reason, national decision makers

in both parties have ordained that voters in four non-representative states get first crack at selecting presidential candidates.

What happens in the First Four states - New Hampshire, Iowa, Nevada and South Carolina -- has significant bearing on who will be president of the United States, while voters in the other 46 states often must deal only with what happens in the First Four.

Candidates who do well in one or another of these early selection states increase their chances of winning voter support and dollar support to invigorate their campaigns. Those who do not do well are more inclined to drop by the wayside.

"Doing well" in these early tests often is measured by expectations of political leaders, big money donors, and national public media, especially those in Washington and New York, the media capitals of the nation.

It's an unfair system, but that's how it works.

JOCKEYING TO be first always is won by New Hampshire, where state law gives sole power to the secretary of state to set its primary date, which always is first in line.

When Nevada Republicans decided to hold their nominating caucus on January 14, New Hampshire was ready to move to a pre-Christmas primary, Iowa moved its nominating caucus to January 3, and South Carolina's primary was set in January, too.

Florida Republicans, seeking to increase their influence in the political process, jumped into the fray and set their primary for January 31.

Nevada since has recanted its early caucus and moved back to February 4, in line with marching orders from the national Republican organization, and Iowa and South Carolina adjusted their contests to fit.

As of now, that's the way things stand in the four-state monopoly of early starts in presidential selection. No matter what, New Hampshire will be first, but more shifting and juggling may come along among other states, which could cause the sainted First Four to be on the move again.

The selection process in Michigan will come later.

Democrats declined a statewide primary and will use in-house party caucuses or convention to express official support of President Obama, while Michigan Republicans opted for a statewide primary in February.

ALTERNATIVES TO the New Hampshire-Iowa-Nevada-South Carolina monopoly have run into a stone wall so far.

Michigan Sen. Carl Levin, for example, has championed a rotating district system, dividing the country into four geographical regions which would rotate in conducting the earliest regional primary so that voters in each state would be in the first selection process every fourth election year.

Others have suggested a single national primary date for all states,

and other ideas have been floated.

Vesting the earliest decision making permanently into four states is unfair on its face.

Choosing New Hampshire, Iowa, Nevada and South Carolina to lead the pack every time also is unfair on its face.

None of these states fairly reflects the make up of the country, and combined they don't, either.

Party leaders should lead the way in correcting the nominating process ... or maybe we should just go back to the old system of the smoke-filled rooms at national nominating conventions where party leaders directly chose their presidential and vice presidential candidates.

There's got to be a better way. # # #

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Letters to the Editor

Don't let our kids down

To the editor:

The Crawford AuSable Primary and Grayling Parent-Teacher Elementary Organization (PTO) would like to urge you to pass the upcoming COOR Special Education ballot question on Tuesday, Nov. 8.

Schools in our region have had drastic cuts to their budget due to the current economic situation in Michigan. The ballot proposal is one of the few ways of raising money for the school district. Our special education millage is the third lowest in the state. These funds would help provide speech therapy, psychologist services, physical and occupational therapy, and visually and hearing impaired ser-

vices. It also funds the Early On and Great Start Collaborative Programs in our community which provide early education for those under age 5 to assist them in getting ready for Kindergarten.

The additional cost to a homeowner with a \$100,000 home assessed at \$50,000 would be \$29.26 per year. This would help the almost 300 students in our district who have special

This proposal, if passed, would free up funds currently being used for special needs students and allow the district to invest them in other programs.

We want to continue to have the best educational opportunities that are possible here in Northern Michigan. Crawford AuSable School District scores continue to climb which is a tribute to our fine administration, teachers and staff.

The kids in our community are the future and right now their future is in your hands. Please don't let our kids down.

It does not have to pass in every school district. Enough yes votes in any one County could pass the proposal for the entire COOR district. Help us to continue on the path of "Growing to Greatness."

AuSable Primary & Grayling **Elementary Parent-Teacher** Organization (PTO)

Test can save lives

To the editor:

As a urologist practicing in Grayling, I am gravely concerned by the new recommendations of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) against prostate-specific antigen (PSA) testing. These recommendations do a great disservice to men around the country, particularly those with a higher risk of the disease, (i.e. African men, those with a family history of the disease, those who are underinsured and those who live in rural areas with limited healthcare access).

The decision to be tested for prostate cancer is an individual decision that men should discuss with their physicians; there is no single standard that applies to all men, nor should there be. No one can dispute that the PSA test has limitations, but when used and interpreted appropriately, the test provides valuable information in the diagnosis, pretreatment staging, risk assessment and monitoring of prostate cancer patients. The American Urological Association recommends that the best decisions regarding prostate cancer testing comes from individualized discussions between a man and his urologist. It would be barbaric to universally dismiss the PSA test before a suitable alternative to prostate cancer diagnosis is available. There are many men in this community, not to mention my own father, who would tell you that a PSA test saved their life.

Brian Stirling, D.O. Grayling

COOR millage will help schools

To the editor:

To all the members of the Crawford-AuSable School District's community.

As a retired teacher who supports her community, I urge you to vote in favor for the COOR millage request on the Nov. 8 ballot. The Crawford-AuSable School District is one of the features of Grayling that has as a positive draw to our community.

It has consistently earned A

ratings from the state for the quality education it produces. However, with the enormous state funding cuts, this quality education is endangered.

It's impossible to maintain class size, building and bus maintenance, high test results and school programs while cutting \$1.2 million from the current budget.

Part of the school's budget comes from the COOR district.

Without an increase in the COOR funding, CASD's budget will be further reduced.

If we want to see Grayling grow, see our downtown store fronts full and invite businesses and families to join our community, we must be able to offer the children of CASD the quality education for which we are known.

Judith P. Mesack Grayling

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Resurrection Life Center will hold their 4th annual Trunk or Treat - a community family FunFest, to be held on Monday, Oct. 31, from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. There will be a hayride, candy, treats, games, prizes, hotdogs and more. The center is located 2.2 miles east of Burger King, look for the sign.

Church to hold Bazaar

St. Mary's Craft Show and Bazaar will be held on Oct. 29, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a Farmer's Market, cash raffle, Chinese auction, old-fashioned cake walk, kid's crafts and lunch will be available.

Blood Drives to be held

Two blood drives will be held in Grayling. One will be held on Oct. 31, at Grayling Mercy Hospital, 1100 Michigan Ave., from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. On Nov. 2, the Grayling American Legion, 106 James Street, will hold a blood drive from 12 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new Web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

October and November dangerous months for deer/vehicle crashes

are nearby waiting to cross,

too. When startled by an

approaching vehicle, they

can panic and dart out from

any direction without warn-

Be alert all year long,

especially on two-lane

roads. Watch for deer warn-

ing signs. They are placed

at known deer-crossing

areas and serve as a first

alert that deer may be near.

Slow down when travel-

In 2010, eight of the 11

fatal deer crashes involved

motorcyclists. That is why

the Michigan Deer Crash

Coalition has developed

safety tips for motorcy-

Motorcyclists should:

Be alert for deer whenev-

er they ride. Deer-vehicle

crashes happen in urban,

Slow down. Decreasing

speed gives a motorcyclist

more time to spot an animal

Cover the brakes to

Use high beam headlights

If riding in a group,

spread out riders in a stag-

gered formation. If one

rider hits a deer, this will

lessen the chance that other

Wear protective gear at

riders will be involved.

and additional driving light

reduce reaction time.

when possible.

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suburban and rural areas.

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areas.

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and react.

Two of the most dangerous months in Michigan for deer/vehicle crashes are October and November. Vehicle/deer crashes can cause more than just damage to the vehicle. The 55,867 crashes last year resulted in 1,277 injuries and 11 deaths.

According to Michigan State Police Criminal Justice Information Center, there were 55,867 deer/vehicle crashes in 2010, down from the 61,486 crashes reported in 2009. However, officials note that many crashes also go unreported, so actual crash numbers are much:

higher. In 2010, Kent County once again topped the state's counties in the number of car-deer crashes with 1,976 crashes. The remaining top nine were Oakland (1,836), Jackson (1,779), Calhoun (1,618), Lapeer (1,321), Montcalm (1,319), Genesee (1,295), Clinton (1,267), Sanilac (1,275) and

Eaton (1,220). Reported number of deer/vehicle crashes in Crawford County and surrounding area counties were: Crawford in 2009 -244 and 2010 - 235; Kalkaska in 2009 -255 and 2010 - 180; Oscoda in 2009 - 154 and 2010 -- 118: Otsego in 2009 - 182 and in

and 2010 - 312. All motorists should 'think deer' whenever they are behind the wheel, and drive defensively, as if a deer can appear at any

- 180;

Roscommon in 2009 - 376

2010

moment, because they can! "It is important to stay in your lane and don't swerve when you see a deer. Most injuries and deaths occur when motorists veer to avoid the deer," said Michigan Deer Crash Coalition Chair Lori Conarton, who represents the Insurance Institute of "And Michigan. motorists should remember to always fasten their safety belts. Safety belts often make the difference in surviving a serious crash."

MDCC The motorists can help avoid dangerous encounters with deer by heeding the following tips:

Watch for deer especially at dawn and dusk.

If you see one deer, approach cautiously, as there may be more out of sight. Deer often travel single

file, so if you see one cross a road, chances are more

Forewarning issued in advance of nationwide test

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

Crawford County Emergency Management officials are urging citizens not to panic when an upcoming nationwide emergency test is conducted.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Federal Communications Commission and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration will conduct the first nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System.

The nationwide test will occur at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9 eastern time and may last up to three and a half minutes. The public will hear a message indicating, "that this is a test." The audio message will be the same for both radio, television and cable.

Crawford County Emergency Management and 911 Director Larry Akers is urging citizens to not be alarmed by the test.

"In the past, when they have done these tests statewide, it has caused a lot of panic to where it has overwhelmed 911 centers with calls," Akers said.

National-level The Emergency Alert System is a public alert and warning system that enables the President of the United States to address the American public during extreme emergencies. Similar to local Emergency

As the federal, state, tribal, territorial and local governments prepare for and test their capabilities, the event serves as a reminder that everyone should establish an emergency preparedness kit and emergency plan for themselves, their families, communities and businesses.

emergency.

CPR class to be held

An American Heart Association Heartsaver® and AED CPR class will be offered to the community on Nov. 9 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The class will be taught by American Heart trained instructors in the Mercy Hospital Grayling Crawford Room located behind the hospital.

Registration is required by Monday, Nov. 7. The

Raffle Winners

Grayling Youth Booster

The 50/50 raffle winners for Oct. 23 of \$25 each; Mel Moore, Jody Coors, Renee Christman, Sharon Johnson and Bill O'Mara. **Grayling Lions Club**

The winner of the Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle on Oct. 21 was Barbara Febey.

Alert System tests that are conducted frequently, the nationwide test will involve broadcast radio and television stations, cable television, satellite radio and television services and wire line providers across all states and territories. Over the past two years

and as part of ongoing national preparedness planning efforts, Federal Emergency Management Federal Agency, the Communications Commission and other federal partners, state, local, tribal and territorial governments, Emergency Alert System participants, and other in the Emergency Alert System community have been working toward making this test a reality.

Anyone can visit www.Ready.gov for more information about how to prepare for and stay informed about what to do in the event of an actual

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which includes the instruc-

tion book that is needed

prior to the Nov. 9 class.

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The Bible Speaks

Lord of the Dead

By His death, burial, and resurrection our Lord Jesus Christ in Romans 14:9 has revealed His sovereign end or purpose; "9For to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived..."; His sovereign position: "...that he might be Lord..."; and His people: "...both of the dead and living." We seldom think of our Lord as Lord of the dead and of death. Yet, death and dying originated as God's penalty for sin in Genesis 2:17. Through Adam death passed upon all human beings and even all creation. (Rom. 5:12, 8:20-22). "18I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death." (Rev. 1:18) Jesus Christ is Lord over sin, death, Hell, and the grave.

Our Lord has given us His mind in facing even death in Philippians 2:5-10. He took a human body and faced a most horrible death on the cross for our sins as a humble, obedient servant. Following His resurrection and ascension back to Heaven, He is to be worshipped as "Lord" by every creature. By submitting to death, and by His resurrection from death He proved by His victory to be the Lord of death.

As Lord of death, He has conquered all our enemies. "26The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death, 550 death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? 56The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. 57But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." Our Lord Jesus Christ shed His blood on the cross of Calvary for our sins. He removed the sting of death and victory of the grave for His believers.

Jesus Christ is Lord of the Law for us. In His earthly life, He fulfilled every righteous demand of God's law for us, and by His vicarious death as our substitute He fulfilled the just demands of God's law by dying for our sins. "21For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." (2 Cor. 5:21). "4But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, 5To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons." (Gal. 4:4,5). "13And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; 14Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; 15And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it." (Colossians 2:13-15)." 4For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth." (Rom. 10:4).

God allows Satan to have power to destroy by early death many unsaved people, but Satan is a defeated foe through Jesus Christ our Lord. "14Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; 15And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage." (Hebrews 2:14,15). Our Lord has removed the fear of death for believers. Pastor

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Obituaries

Clyde Weiss

Weiss, Clyde Grayling, passed away on Sunday, October 23, 2011.

A memorial service was Wednesday, held on October 26, 2011 at 11 Sorensonat a.m. Lockwood Funeral Home.

A full obituary will appear in Avalanche next

Leone C. Owen

Leone C. Owen, of Gainesville, Fla., and formerly of Grayling, passed away on Sunday October 23, 2011.

Please call Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home for arrangements.

Honors

Grayling High School 2011 graduate, Melissa Kocefas, was awarded a \$1,000 HAVE IT YOUR WAY® Foundation scholarship.

HAVE IT YOUR WAY® Foundation has awarded over \$1.4 million in scholarships to a total of 1,258 deserving students nationwide as part of the eleventh annual BURGER KING® Scholars Program. Among the winners, 114 students from Michigan received scholarship awards in recognition of their outstanding academic achievement, along with other academic and community involvement criteria.

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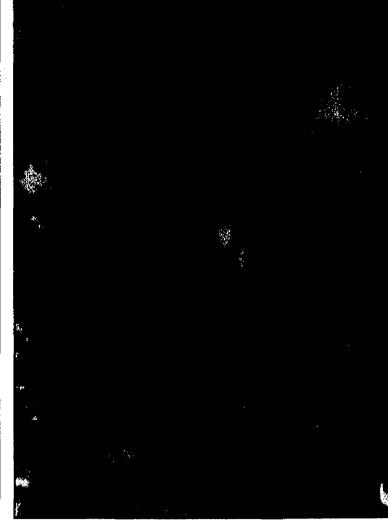
Kocefas is the daughter of Pete Kocefas and Cathy Czuba of Grayling.

Military News

Michael D. Harmon has completed Basic Combat and Advanced Individual Training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. Harmon is a member of the 1437th Engineer Company, Michigan Army National Guard, and is assigned as a Bridge Crewmember.

Harmon is a 2011 graduate of Grayling High School and is the son of Suzanne and Tom Harmon of Grayling.

Bly, Rousseau engaged



Jessica Bly and Michael Rousseau

Jessica Elizabeth Bly and **Dominic** Michael Rousseau, along with the bride's daughter, Ella, announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Sharon Bly and the late Harry Bly of Roscommon.

The groom-to-be is the

son of Diana and Ronald Saunders and the late Mark Rousseau of Fraser.

Michael is attending Wayne State University of Detroit.

A small September 29, 2012 wedding is planned at

Oak Arbor in Rochester.

Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Oct. 28 - pork roast with stuffing, Prince Charles blend and pineapple No Dinner. 10 a.m. Card Golf, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo, Pool and Paint and

- breaded chicken sandwich, peas, potato salad and an orange. Dinner - salisbury steak, mashed, potatoes, corn and apricots. 10 a.m. quilting, 12:30 p.m. Zumba Gold, 1:30 p.m Clogging, 1 p.m. Bridge, 2:30 p.m. Bunco.

Monday, Oct. 31 - Lunch

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

Range Firing

Range activities at Camp Grayling for Nov. 3 - 9 will be as follows:

The 40 Complex, air to ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), Nov. 3 and 5 -

The 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), Nov. 4 -

This firing schedule is subject to change without

Contact the Grayling

Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: 989-348-6371. For further information call 989-344-6100.

Animal Shelter Memorials

AuSable Valley Animal Shelter has received memorial donations in honor of those who have passed and donations honoring individuals. The following is a list of honorees and donors for the period of July through September, 2011:

For Arlene in memory, from Renie and Jackie

For Smeck, in memory, from Marcia Royer.

For Fozzy, in memory, from Margaret Dimon.

For Ricky Nelson Kelly, in memory, from James and Barbara Verlinde.

For Iris Corr, in memory, from Joan Miller.

Library News

The Genealogy Group at Devercaux Memorial Library every

Monday at 10 a.m. Study ancestry and discover your family history with the help of experienced genealogists.

Join us for "Story Hour" at Devereaux Memorial Library every Wednesday at 11:15 a.m.

Children 0-5 and their caregivers can enjoy a fun, interactive program filled with stories, crafts and snacks. Call Miss Connie at 989-348-9214 for additional information.

"Write On!" will meet at Devereaux Library on Tuesday, November 1 at 5 a.m. Adults can join this creative writing club to share ideas and support with other aspiring authors.

"Sit n' Knit" meets at Devereaux Library on the first Thursday of each month at 10 a.m.

Share quality time with other needle heads on November 3, and hear a few good yarns at the library.

The Camouflage Club is back for three very special programs in November at Devereaux Memorial Library. This year's theme is the "Rubber Band of Brothers" with some fun and flexible crafts designed to stretch your imagination. Kids ages 6-12 will be making rubber band balls, guns and airplanes. Call Jane at 989-348-9214 to sign up for camouflage face paint, dog tags, snacks, stories ... and learn the secret handshake!

Births

Karlie and Terry Clark of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Audrey June, born at Mercy Hospital on October 18, 2011, at 9 p.m., weighing 5 lbs., 15 ozs., and measuring 17 1/2 inches in length.

Jenna and Thomas Woodman of Frederic, announce the birth of their daughter, Ella Ann, born at Mercy Hospital on October 21, 2011, at 4:20 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., 11 ozs., and measuring 19 inches in length.

Area **Events**

Houghton Lake - The regular meeting of North Central Area Chapter #19, State Employee Retirees Association, will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 1 at the Houghton Lake Community Building, located back of The Pines Theater at 2 p.m. All retired state employees and their spouses are invited.

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AARP Driver Safety Program Thursday, Nov 10 • 8:30am - 4:30pm

Driver Refresher course for drivers aged 50 & older. The fee for this course is \$12 for members & \$14 for nonmembers, payable to AARP. No fee for Veterans • Registration required.



& Senior Center

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989-348-1278 501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling

· Sunday School: 10am Sunday Morning Celebration: Ham Wednesday Evening Service Worship & Prayer: 7pm

stor paster@burningbushtaberngele.ceg St. Francis Episcopal Church

The Rev. Elizabeth M. Chace, Rector 6441 West M-72, Grayling, MI Church office: 989-348-5850 saint_francis@frontier.com Sunday Worship Services at 9:30am Wednesday Holy Eucharist 8:30am followed by Bible Study

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Sunday Worship - 10am Surday School - 9am Youth Group - Wed, Evenings 6:30pm Prayer Meeting - Wed. Evenings 5:30pm Adult Bible Study - Wed, Evenings 6:45pm Women's Bible Study - Thurs, 10am & 7pm Third Saturday of each month: Free Pancake Breakfast 8:30am - 10am www.bearlakechristianelunch.org

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Community member takes helm of Thanksgiving dinner

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

Volunteers are being sought as the proverbial turkey baster is being passed for the 18th annual Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

The Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be served from noon to 2 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 24 at the Camp Grayling Army Airfield Mess Hall. The mess hall is located off of Old U.S. 27 across from Ferrell Gas.

Therese and Skip Kaiser started the community dinner at the St. John's Lutheran Church in order to provide meals to people who could not host families for the holiday or travel to visit with their families. The dinner was prepared

and served for several years at the former Knights of Columbus Hail. It was later moved to the Camp Grayling Armory when the Knights of Columbus Hall was used by the St. Mary's Church to hold mass and later sold.

The dinner found a permanent home at the Grayling Army Airfied, where the feast has been held for the last two years.

This year, the Kaisers are passing the torch for organizing and preparing the dinner to friend Patty Crandall.

"She stepped up to the plate and said let me in," Therese said.

Crandall has never participated in the Crawford AuSable Thanksgiving Day Dinner.

"Just like we did, she's jumping in blind without a parachute," Therese said.

Crandall said believes it is her duty to community help the Thanksgiving tradition live

"It's something that I've known about for the last five of six years and when I found out it was time for them to pass it on, I just felt that it was my responsibility," Crandall said.

Crandall, who works in the dental field, does have experience in the catering business, preparing large amounts of food.

"This community needs this service." Crandall said. "It's important that this continues to happen."

The Kaisers will mentor Crandall this year and still plan on being involved with the holiday feast. "We're sticking with it as

long as we can," Therese

Donations are being

sought and volunteers are being recruited to help prepare, serve, deliver meals and for the afterward clean up. Therese anticipates more drivers will be needed this year due to the strug-

gling economy. Crandall can be reached at (989) 745-3557. Therese can be reached at at (989) (989) 348-1340 or (989) 390-2206.

To arrange for a home delivered meal, contact Sally Golnick at (989) 348-9418.

Crandall said she looks forward to working with the Golnick and Kaiser families for years to come.

"I'm very excited about this," Crandall said. "I just think it's an amazing thing that these guys have done for all these years and I'm excited to be part of it to keep it going."

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Officials considering potential traffic light

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

Grayling Charter Township and Camp Grayling officials agreed to join forces to address a traffic safety hazard located near the main entrance of the military base.

Beaver Creek Township Ron Wood asked the Grayling Charter Township Board last week to consider placing a blinking light or traffic light at the intersec-

Wood, who has traveled the area and lives near the entrance of Camp Grayling for 20 years, said pinpointing where to turn onto Military Road is difficult when it is dark. Locating the intersection is particularly difficult when there is fog or it is snowing, Wood added.

"It's just a matter of guessing where the road is," said Wood, who is a longtime member for the Crawford County Sheriff's Office Deputy Reserves program.

Wood said that Grayling Charter Township could easily tap into a power line located at the intersection of M-93 and Lake Margrethe Boulevard to power the traffic light.

The township board asked Maj. Jim Robson, the facilities engineer for Camp Grayling, to study the potential of placing a light at the intersection. Officials would have to receive final approval from the Michigan Department

Transportation for the traftion of Military Road and fic light since M-93 is a state road.

"Maybe, with a cooperative effort we could get this gone quite quickly," said Grayling Charter Township Board Trustee Dennis Long.

Robson said one challenge officials would address is separate power grids that serve consumers in the area. Camp Grayling is on a power grid that serves residents in the Higgins Lake area, while residents living in the Lake Margrethe area are on a different power grid.

Robson, however, noted that the intersection is a valid public safety issue since two motorists have

crashed in security barrieades located at the entrance to Camp Graying

"It would be a benefit for the camp since it is at the main entrance," Robson said.



Township board appoints supervisor

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Ordinance, which would have changed the duties of the Grayling Township supervisor and superintendent during the transition from a full-time supervisor with all inherent administrative duties assigned by the board to a part-time supervisor with only statutory duties.

Harland's family has a long history in the car business in northern Michigan. His late father, John Harland moved to Grayling in 1970 to become a partner in Scheer Motors.

Harland worked his way

up the sales and management ladder while at Scheer Motors. In 1980, Harland and his father split from Scheer Motors to start Milltown Traders, a used car dealership and real estate office, selling cars, trucks and mobile homes. Harland's father passed away a few year's into the business venture, and Milltown Traders stayed in operation up until 1985.

in Grayling and Gaylord.

Harland then went to work for Gaylord Ford. Most recently, Harland managed Feeny dealerships

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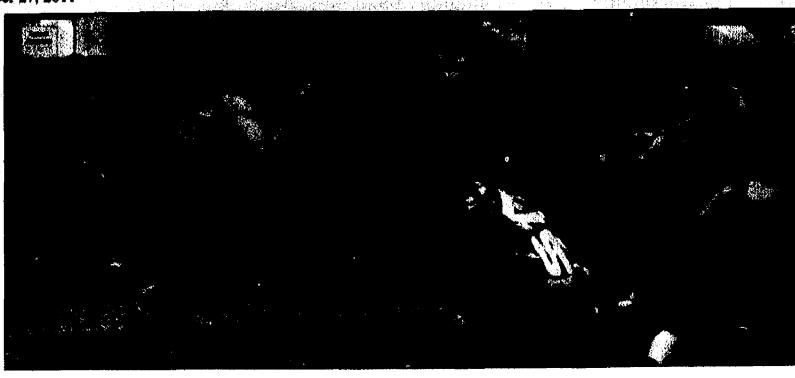


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Wrestlers demonstrate moves at reading challenge

The AuSable Wrestling Association (AWA) demonstrated basic wrestling stretches and moves for a crowd gathered for the WrestleMania Reading Challenge at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library on Saturday. The AWA is a youth wrestling program in the Crawford County Area. For more information, contact Claude Halstead at 858-5579. Above, Michael Phipps, Dakotah Mansfield, Max Halstead and Bennette Sanderson are pictured at the WrestleMania Reading Challenge.



GHS announces AP Scholars

Six graduates of Grayling High School (GHS) have earned the designation of AP Scholar by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement exams. Only 18 percent of the more than 1,900,000 high school students worldwide who took these exams performed at a sufficiently high level to merit the recognition of AP Scholar.

The College Board recognizes several levels of achievement based on the number of courses and exams taken. Five GHS students qualified as AP Scholars, a designation given to those students who receive grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams.

Peggy Curriston, daughter of Larry and Shirley Curriston, attends Ferris State University to earn a

degree in pharmacy. Richelle Grosskopf, daughter of Richard and Linda Grosskopf, attends Michigan Technological University, studying civil engineering. James Jimenez, son of Oscar Jimenez and Melody Kay attending Jimenez, is Michigan Central University to pursue a teaching degree. Elizabeth Kengel, daughter of Tammy and Marty Kengel, is currently a freshman at Central Michigan University, and plans going into foreign affairs, communications or consulting. Sara Trudgeon, daughter of Rene and Kathleen Trudgeon, is studying political science and pre-law at Northern

Michigan University. One student qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award, which is granted to students who receive an average grade of at least

3.25 on all AP exams taken and grades of 3 or higher on four or more AP exams. She is Melissa Kocefas, daughter of Peter Kocefas and Cathy Czuba. Melissa is attending Ferris State University to earn a degree in optometry.

GHS has offered AP classes since 1980. The first course offered was English Composition. Since that time, the program has expanded, and students are now able to take AP courses in art, biology, calculus, chemistry, English language and literature, U.S. History, and European History. Students at G.H.S. have also taken AP exams in French, Spanish, German, Human Geography and World History, through independent study.

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Golf outings raise money for hospitals

Local Children's Miracle Network Hospitals in the State of Michigan have received a donation in excess of \$16,000 thanks to the fundraising efforts of Forest Dunes Golf Club and Re/Max of Higgins Lake.

The two entities sponsored a golf outing on Sept. 13 with all the proceeds benefiting the Children's Miracle Network, an agency that saves the lives of children by raising funds and awareness for children's hospitals and foundations.

"With the support of Re/Max of Higgins Lake and Forest Dunes Golf Club, Helen DeVos Children's Hospital can provide worldclass care to every child that walks through our doors," said Jamon Alexander, development coordinator at the DeVos Children's Hospital Foundation in Grand Rapids. "The golf outing is more than golf - it is helping to change lives, restore health, inspire hope and provide comfort to those that need it most."

A total of 60 golfers participated in the outing at one of America's 100 Greatest Courses according to Golf

There also were 17 busi-

nesses that partnered with the event as sponsors. The live and silent auction features raised \$7,260 of the funds with participants taking home golf packages, clubs, autographed sports memorabilia, and once-in-alifetime experiences such as a Detroit Red Wings behind the scenes tour/tickets and the opportunity to be a Michigan State University basketball ball boy for a game.

Anyone interested in becoming involved in next year's third annual golf outing is encouraged to contact Diane Ocenasek or Jeri Ann Janisse at Re/Max of Higgins Lake (989) 821-6208.

A golf outing fundraiser was recently held at the Fox Run Golf Club to benefit Mercy Hospice of Grayling.

Coordinated by community member Dean Worden with the help of staff from Mercy Home Care and Hospice, the fundraiser collected over \$3,500.

Participants played 18 holes of golf and then finished with a dinner, where a live and silent auction was held with items made available by many northern



A golf outing fundraiser was recently held at Fox Run Golf Club to benefit Mercy Home Care and Hospice of Grayling. Above, Don Meierant, executive director of Mercy Home Care and Hospice, Dean Worden, the golf outing coordinator, and Bob Koutnik, owner of Fox Run Golf Club, are pictured at the fundraiser.

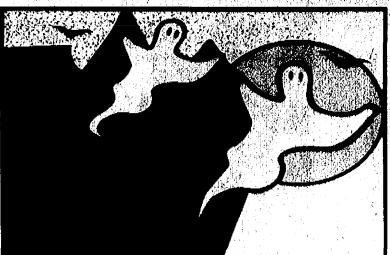
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The funds raised will help support the Mercy Home Care and Hospice's mission of helping patients with end of life care.

While costs associated with specific terminal illnesses are generally covered by Medicare or private insurance, there are many other expenses that sometimes cannot be afforded by the patient, said Jillian Tremonti, volunteer coordinator for Mercy Home Care and Hospice.

The contributions from the golf outing will help to make sure that all of the care needs are met for patients on

Hospice, regardless of their ability to pay or not, Tremonti said.



Mercy Manor invites all Trick or Treaters to visit their Spooky Hallway on Oct. 31st from 6-8pm. Your child's bag will be



filled to the top. Refreshments provided also.

Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 89 complaints the week of Oct. 17 - Oct. 23.

One general assistance, 14 general non-criminal complaints, one valid alarm, two false alarm activations, one sex offense against child-fondling, one assault, intimidation, stalking, one assault and battery/simple assault, one aggravated assault-family-other

weapon, one burglary/home invasion, two larcenies, one larceny from yards, one fraud, one embezzlementbusiness property, two marijuana possession complaints, five public peace/disorderly complaints, one operating with blood alcohol content of .17 percent or more, two portable signal preemption devices, two health and safety complaints, seven miscellaneous arrests, 10

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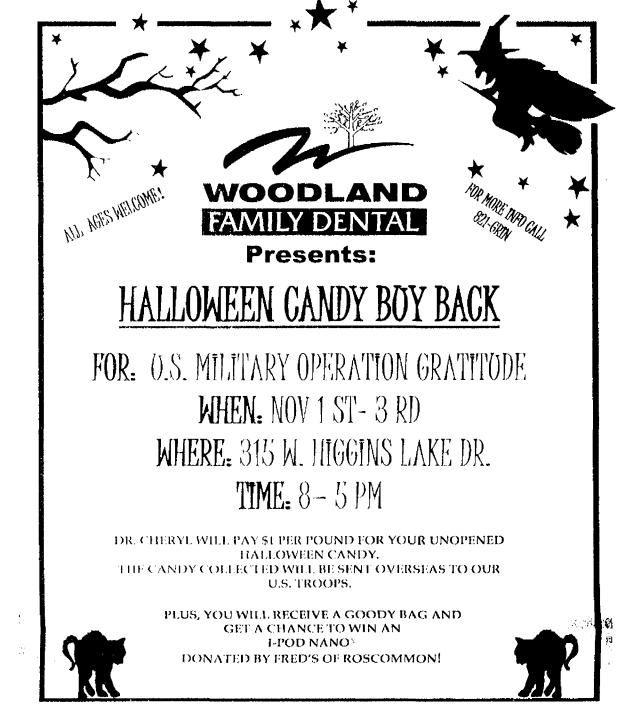
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Victor the Viking leads the GHS varsity football team onto the field at Traverse City prior to the game vs. St. Francis.



Devon Dawson battles Traverse City St. Francis defenders during Friday's varsity game.

Unbeaten bid ends with 20-19 loss in LMC showdown

Vikings fall to TCSF by one, finish regular season at 8-1

by Caleb Casey

Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling Vikings, with a Lake Michigan Conference title on the line, were unable to complete their perfect season, falling to the St. Francis Gladiators 20-19 in a game played at Traverse City's Thirlby Field last Friday.

Special teams play was a significant factor. Grayling's average starting position on offense was its own 25-yard line; Traverse City St. Francis' average field position to start drives was Grayling's 49-yard line.

There were only two turnovers in the contest; each team lost a fumble. St. Francis capitalized on Grayling's turnover, scoring the go-ahead TD in the third period following a fumble recovery.

Traverse City St. Francis started its first drive of the game 23 yards from the end zone following a Grayling punt. On 1st and goal, the Gladiators finished the series with a one-yard touchdown run. With the extra point kick, St. Francis led 7-0.

Grayling, on its third possession of the game, drove 84 yards on 16 plays, finishing the series with a one-yard TD run by Riley Zigila. The drive also included a 10-yard completion from quarterback Zane Tobin to Steven Enos, a 12-yard run by Devon Dawson, and an 11-yard run by Ty Jensen. Kevin Harris kicked the extra point, tying the contest at 7-7.

Traverse City St. Francis recovered Grayling's on-side

kick attempt. The series ended with a punt on 4th and 4. The Vikings punted from their own end zone on 4th and 10. St. Francis returned the kick to Grayling's 19-yard line.

The Gladiators scored on a 15yard run on 4th and 4. They kicked the extra point. TCSF led 14-7 with 9:13 left in the second

Grayling started at its 20 after a touchback on the kickoff. On 4th and 7, Zigila threw to Scott Parkinson for 13 yards, Three plays later, on 4th and 4, Tobin completed a pass to Enos for a first down. Zigila rushed twice for 12 yards. Tobin threw to Parkinson for nine yards. Traverse City St. Francis intercepted a Grayling pass attempt on the next play, but a roughing the passer penalty nullified the play. The series eventually ended on downs with incomplete passes on third down and fourth down.

Traverse City St. Francis, on the seventh play of the resulting series, went for it on 4th and 1 and Grayling stopped the play short of a first down.

The Vikings took over at Traverse City's 39-yard line – by far their best starting field position of the entire game - with 46 seconds left in the first half. Tobin completed a pass to Tyler McClanahan for 19 yards on first down. A holding penalty negated a 14-yard gain on the next play. The series ended with an incomplete pass on 4th and 16.

Traverse City St. Francis led 14-7 at halftime.

Grayling started the second half with an on-side kick; St. Francis recovered it at the 50. On the fourth play of the drive, 4th and t, Grayling's defense came up with another stop, forcing a turnover on downs.

The Vikings drove 59 yards on eight plays, scoring a TD with a 10-yard run by Zigila. The series also included an 11-yard pass to Parkinson, a 16-yard pass to Dawson, an eight-yard run by Tobin, and a 12-yard run by Zigila. Grayling missed the extra point kick. With 8:50 left in the third period, Traverse City St. Francis led 14-13.

Grayling stopped St. Francis on 4th and 14 to take over on downs at its 41-yard line.

Tobin completed a pass to McClanahan for 14 yards on 4th and 6. Joey Schwartz rushed for 13 yards on the next play. Tobin threw deep to Dawson for a 28yard TD on the next play. The Vikings tried for two points on the conversion and failed. With 3:58 left in the third quarter, Grayling led 19-14.

The next two possessions – one by each team – ended with punts. Grayling stopped St. Francis on another 4th and 1 play. On 3rd

and 8, Grayling fumbled and the Gladiators recovered the ball. Traverse City St. Francis took

advantage of Grayling's first and only turnover of the game, driving 33 yards on four plays, cap-

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St. Francis	7-0 (8-1)
Grayling	6-1 (8-1)
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Elk Rapids	4-3 (4-5)
Boyne City	
Kalkaska	
East Jordan	1-6 (1-8)
Harbor Springs	0-7 (0-9)
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ping the drive with a 28-yard TD run. The Gladiators, now leading 20-19, went for two with a rushing play and Grayling stopped it.

After the kickoff Grayling started at its 13-yard line with 7:27 left in the fourth period. Zigila rushed for 12 yards on 3rd and 10. The drive went backwards after that and the Vikings punted on 4th and 15 with 5:55 remaining.

Traverse City St. Francis ran the ball three times and punted on 4th and 3.

Grayling started at its 21-yard line with 3:19 left in the game. Runs by Schwartz and Zigila picked up a first down. A QB sack on 3rd and 6 brought up 4th and 16. An incomplete pass on fourth down ended the posses-

Traverse City St. Francis took over at mid-field with 58 seconds remaining. The Gladiators ran the ball three times, forcing Grayling to burn its last two timeouts. Traverse City let the clock run down and called a timeout before punting. The clock read 0:07.1. Grayling was unable to field the kick right away and the play ended up being the last one of the contest.

Traverse City St. Francis won 20-19, improving its league record to 7-0 (8-1 overall) and clinching a Lake Michigan Conference championship. Grayling finished second in the conference at 6-1 (8-1 overall).

According to the team: Tobjn finished with 146 passing yards and one TD. Dawson had 46 receiving yards with one TD. Zigita was the squad's leading rusher with 74 yards and two TDs. On defense, Griffin Dodn (18), Ryan Randall (17), and Lucas Walesky (12) were Grayling's leading tacklers.

"We were proud of our kidk" effort tonight. The defense played great, and the offense did a good job of fighting," Coach Tim Sanchez said. "Our new season starts now, and we'll have to learn from this game to try to make a

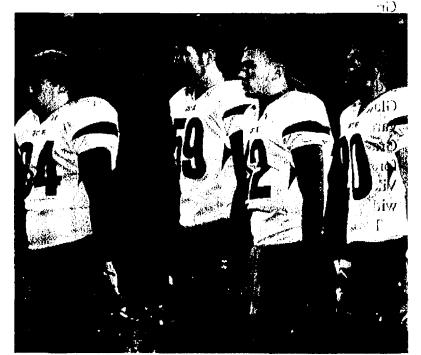
The Vikings (8-1 overall) Will host Benzie Central (7-2 overáll) in a Michigan High School Athletic Association Division?5 (Region 1, District 1) playoff game on Friday, Oct. 28, at 7 plin. The winner will either host Kingsley (6-3 overall) or play at Menominee (7-2 overall) in the district finals.



Ty Jensen carries the ball for the Vikings during Friday's game at Thirlby Field.



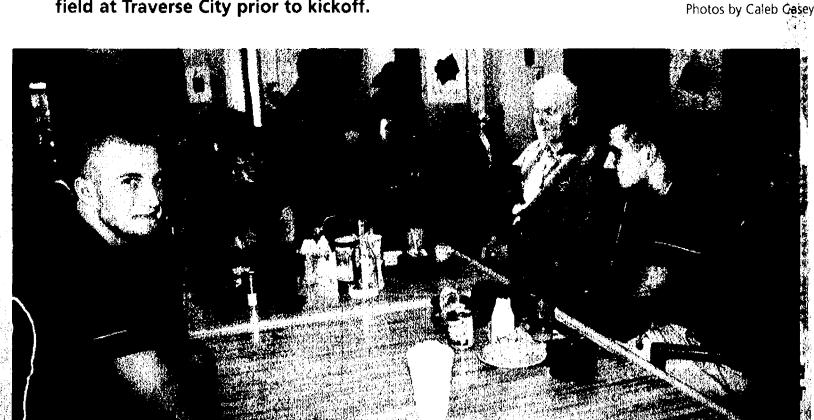
Ryan Randall and teammates enter the field at Traverse City prior to kickoff.

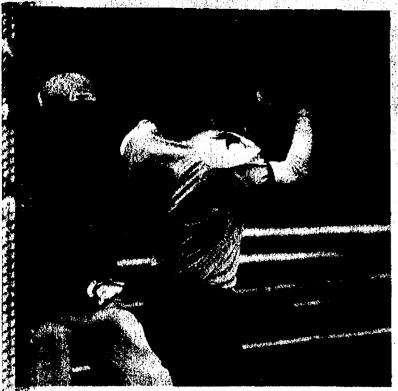


Team captains (L to R) Steven Enos: Griffin Dean, Zane Tobin, and Riley Zigila gather at the 50-yard line for the pregame coin toss at TC.

VIKINGS VISIT **MERCY MANOR**

Players and coaches from Grayling High School's football program recently visited Mercy Manor, a "long-term care facility providing... care to patients who require extended hospitalization," according to Mercy Hospital Grayling. The football program paid its visit after the facility selected its own homecoming king and queen. "We just went there and talked to them," said Tim Sanchez, head coach of the GHS varsity football squad. (Photo courtesy of GHS football program)





andon Latusek catches a deep pass on a play that resulted in a 59-yard touchdown.



Jeff Myers sacks Traverse City's quarterback on Friday night.



Michael Branch carries the ball for the JV Vikings on Friday.

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Grayling High
School's junior
varsity football
team celebrates
its 22-12 win vs.
the Traverse City
St. Francis
Gladiators at
Thirlby Field on
Friday night. The
victory improved
Grayling's season
record to 9-0.

JV team finishes perfect season with 22-12 victory vs. Gladiators

Vikings win by 10 at Traverse City, end year undefeated

by Caleb Casey

Senior Staff Writer

Nine up, nine down. Grayling alligh School's junior varsity footthall squad completed its undefeated season Friday with a 22-12 victory vs. the Traverse City St. Hrancis Gladiators in a contest applied at Traverse City's Thirlby Hield. The Vikings scored all of their points in the first half and otheir defense made enough plays after that to secure the win.

The Vikings scored first, finishing their second possession of the contest with a five-yard touchdown run by Michael Branch. The 11-play, 97-yard series also included a 45-yard run by quarterback Scout Tobin, an 11-yard run by Branch, and a 17-yard completion from Tobin to Dylan Wyman. Tobin threw to Wyman for the two-point conversion and Grayling led 8-0 with 5:06 left in the first quarter.

Traverse City St. Francis punted on 4th and 12. Grayling, on 3rd and 12, fumbled and the Gladiators recovered the ball 31 yards from the end zone. Grayling's defense held and forced a punt on 4th and 17. The Vikings' resulting series ended with a punt on 4th and 14.

TCSF punted on 4th and 6 after comming three plays. Grayling arted at its 23-yard line.

On the first play of the drive, off Wilson scored for GHS on 77-yard touchdown run. The o-point conversion attempt failed. The Vikings led 14-0 with

approximately eight minutes left in the first half.

Grayling took over at its 41yard line after another St. Francis punt. The Vikings scored on the first play of the drive for the second time, with Tobin hitting

Brandon Latusek for a 59-yard passing TD. Tobin completed a pass to Wyman for the two-point conversion. With 5:38 left in the first half, Grayling led 22-0.

Latusek intercepted a Traverse City St. Francis pass attempt on the next offensive play, giving Grayling the ball at its 39-yard line. Grayling fumbled on the third play of the resulting possession, losing the ball to the

Gladiators near mid-field.

The Gladiators picked up two first downs, moving from their 42 to Grayling's 25 with three running plays. On the next snap, Traverse City St. Francis fumbled and Jeff Myers recovered the ball for the Vikings. The series, however, ended with a punt on 4th and 5.

With halftime approaching, the Gladiators went for it on 4th and 1 at Grayling's 22-yard line. Emmett Helsel hit TCSF's quar-

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terback as he was throwing, disrupting the pass, and Latusek

Grayling led 22-0 at halftime.

Traverse City returned the second half's opening kickoff to Grayling's 41-yard line. The



Geoff Wilson runs down the sideline during a play that resulted in a 77-yard TD.

Gladiators finished the five-play series with an 18-yard TD run on 1st and 10. Grayling stopped their rushing attempt for the two-point conversion. The Vikings led 22-6 early in the third quarter.

Grayling punted on 4th and 20 from deep in its own end of the field. Traverse City St. Francis started 27 yards from the goal line. The Gladiators ran the ball eight times, finishing the series with a one-yard TD plunge on 1st and goal. Grayling stopped the

two-point conversion attempt.
With 4:47 left in the third quarter, GHS led 22-12.

Traverse City St. Francis returned Grayling's kickoff past mid-field. On a play ruled by the officials as fourth down – there

was a dispute as to whether it was actually only third down — Grayling's Zack Cheney sacked Traverse City's QB to force a turnover on downs.

On the first play of Grayling's resulting series, the Vikings fumbled and Traverse City St. Francis recovered the ball 34 yards from the end zone.

Myers sacked Traverse City's

quarterback on 3rd and 9 to force a punt. TCSF's punt unit downed the ball at Grayling's 1-yard line.

Tobin ran for 27 yards on 3rd and 9. Three plays later the Vikings punted on 4th and 11.

Traverse City St. Francis took over at its 44-yard line. On 3rd and 8 — the ninth play of the series — the Gladiators dropped a probable TD pass. On 4th and 8, Wilson intercepted a Traverse City St. Francis pass attempt near the end zone.

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Grayling took over at its 3-yard line with 5:16 left in regulation. Runs by Tobin and Branch gained enough for a first down. A penalty and a QB sack derailed the drive and Grayling punted on 4th and 20.

Down by 10 and with 1:50 on the clock, Traverse City St. Francis started at Grayling's 27 after the punt. On the third play of the series, Wilson intercepted a Gladiator pass attempt, effectively ending the game.

Grayling knelt twice to run out the final seconds.

The Vikings won 22-12, ending their season with a 9-0 record (7-0 league).

"Perfect end to a perfect season. I'm so proud of these kids. They deserve all the credit for their hard work," Coach Chris Kucharek said. "This is the first time we have been outright champs in the LMC and only the second time we have beat St. Francis at the JV level. Great season."

According to the team's statistics, Tobin had 100 passing yards and one TD, plus 78 yards rushing. Wilson rushed for 81 yards and one TD. Branch rushed for 50 yards.

On defense, Myers had 12 tackles, three sacks, and a fumble recovery. Branch had 19 tackles. Wilson and Latusek each had two interceptions. Tyler Wyman had six tackles and one sack. D. Wyman had seven tackles. Emmett Helsel and CJ White each had six tackles.



mmett Helsel blocks for the Vikings vs.

Biliverse City St. Francis on Friday.



Dylan Wyman catches a pass in the end zone for a two-point conversion.

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Quarterback Scout Tobin looks for an open receiver during Friday's game.



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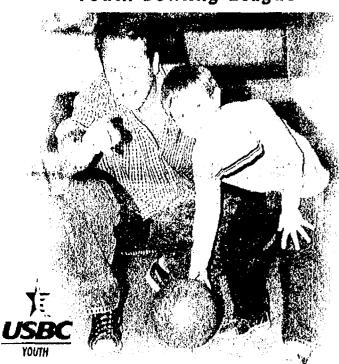
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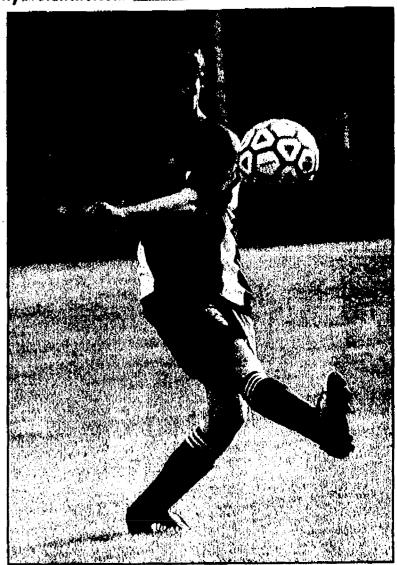
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Jeff LaVigne, left, dribbles the ball for the Vikings at Houghton Lake on Tuesday night. Jacob Robbins, right, kicks the ball for Grayling during Tuesday's playoff game.

Playoff run ends with 4-2 district loss vs. Chiefs

Vikings advance to semifinals with 6-3 win at HL

by Caleb Casey Senior Staff Writer

posted one win and one loss during its playoff run last week, ending its 2011 season with a 4-2 district loss vs. the Cheboygan Chiefs on Thursday night.

The Vikings advanced to the District 48-3 semifinals with a 6-3 victory vs. the Bobcats of Houghton Lake on Tuesday night in a game played at Houghton Lake High School.

Grayling did not get off to a good start. Twenty-two seconds into the game a Grayling defender accidentally kicked the ball into the Vikings' own net, scoring a goal for the Bobcats. Approximately four minutes later, Houghton Lake scored again and Grayling faced a 2-0 deficit less than five minutes into the match.

The Vikings scored at the 25:59 mark on a shot from Tyler Powers – the kick was from approximately 30 yards from the goal - that sailed over the Houghton Lake's goalkeeper into the net. It was the first goal of a series of three that Grayling would score during a span of two minutes (clock time).

Trevor DeWitt scored for GHS at the 25:38 mark, just 21 seconds after Powers' goal. The goal tied the score

DeWitt scored again 1:25 Grayling High School's later, giving the Vikings varsity boys soccer team their first lead of the game (3-2).

Houghton Lake scored its third goal of the contest at the 20:37 mark, tying the contest at 3-3.

After scoring six goals in a span of less than 20 minutes, the two teams combined for zero goals during the rest of the second half. At the intermission, the score remained tied at 3-3.

DeWitt scored his third goal of the contest approximately seven minutes into the second period.

Neither team was able to score in the next 20 minutes of regulation.

At the 12:07 mark exchange student Vinicius Prieto scored after taking a short corner kick pass from Powers, Grayling led 5-3.

With 10 seconds left, a Houghton Lake defender accidentally kicked the ball into his own unguarded net; the Bobcats had pulled their goalkeeper in order to have an extra player on offense.

Grayling won by a final score of 6-3. The Vikings, after a rough start, held the Bobcats scoreless in the game's final 60 minutes of regulation.

"We started really sloppy," Coach Nate Alyas said. "The kids were nervous.



Tyler Powers goes after an airborne ball during last Tuesday's game at Houghton Lake.

The first goal we scored on ourselves by mistake. The kids weren't calm yet. We switched some positions, got back in the game. We controlled the ball, playing our normal game."

On Thursday night the hosted Vikings Cheboygan Chiefs in a District 48-3 semifinal game played at the Crawford County Sports Complex.

Grayling scored first. Prieto put the ball in the net with a header on a corner kick by Nick Wells. Grayling led 1-0 at the first half's 29:32 mark.

The Chiefs tied it at 1-1

with a goal on a corner kick play at the 23:54 mark. Cheboygan scored again 51 seconds later to lead 2-1.

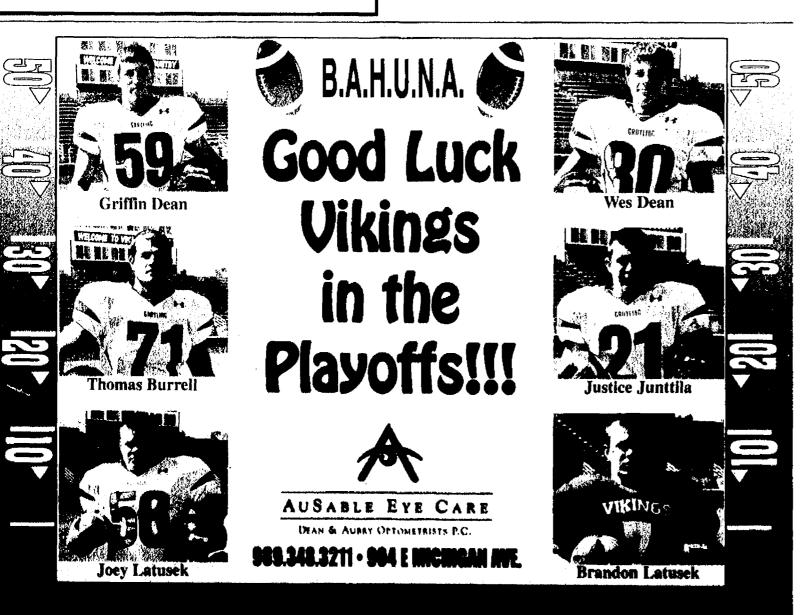
With 9:34 left in the first period the Chiefs scored their third goal to lead 3-1. Prieto scored for Grayling

at the 5:23 mark, pulling the Vikings within one (3-2). Cheboygan added one more goal before halftime,

scoring at the 1:46 mark. Neither team scored in the second half and Cheboygan

won 4-2. The Vikings finished their 2011 season with an overall

record of 10-9-1 (7-3 league, 1-1 playoff).



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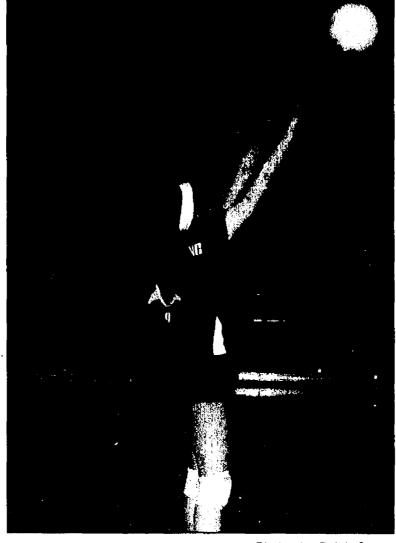
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Shanley Dorn, left, and Josie Swander, right, hit the ball for Grayling during last week's series against the Charlevoix Rayders.

League winning streak ends at 11 for volleyball team

Vikings beat Boyne City, fall to Charlevoix last week

ence play, ending its league winning streak at 11 with a 3-2 series loss vs. the visiting Charlevoix Rayders on Thursday.

Grayling trailed 15-8 early in game one, but the Vikings battled back, tying the game at 20-20 late in the match. Charlevoix won 25-23 in game one. The Rayders took a 2-0 series advantage with a 25-12 vic-

tory in game two. The Vikings rallied to win the next two games, both by scores of 25-22, forcing a game decisive five. Charlevoix won the rubber 15-10, giving match Grayling its first loss in league play this season.

Rachel Cooper had 23 kills and 19 digs; she also served received at 100 percent and had three aces. Josie Swander had four aces, 32 assists, and 11 digs. Elaine DesEnfants had one ace and 13 digs. Cierra Prosser had four blocks and two kills. August Ledesma serve received at 100 percent. Shanley Dorn and Stanna Dorn each had seven digs. Sarah Goodyear had eight digs. Madi Junttila had three digs and had 14 perfect serves. Cara Miller had 10 kills, one ace, and eight digs.

"As you can see, it was a night of team contribution. The girls played hard. I was very proud of them for coming back from a 2-0 deficit in the series. They are a very good team defensively and offensively, but it still does-

The GHS varsity girls n't take the sting away. volleyball team lost for the This gives the girls the first time this year in confer- opportunity to fight through adversity a little and hopefully take a share of the Michigan (Lake Conference) title next week," Coach Jessica Szymoniak said.

Tuesday On night Grayling swept the Boyne City Ramblers 3-0 in a league series played at Boyne. The Vikings won 25-20, 25-21, 25-23.

"It was a great set of games. Each team played very hard. Boyne has two stellar middle hitters that are young and a smart setter. Boyne's team is young and will be a contender for the league over the next few years. Our girls played smart. Our girls adjusted to their hitters. We picked them apart with our serves. There were a bunch of great volleys," Coach Szymoniak

Swander had 13 digs and 22 assists. Cooper had five aces, 14 kills, and a serve receive percentage of 95. Miller had three aces and seven kills. Madi Junttila had 13 perfect serves with one ace. DesEnfants serve received at 100 percent and had four digs. Stanna Dorn also serve received at 100 percent and had five digs. Shanley Dorn had five assists and the only solo block of the night.

On Saturday, Oct. 15, the Vikings competed in the Gaylord Invitational.

The Vikings lost 2-0 vs. Gaylord in their first match. They split vs. Dearborn Edsel Ford and beat Bullock



Madi Junttila serves for the Vikings on Thursday vs. Charlevoix.

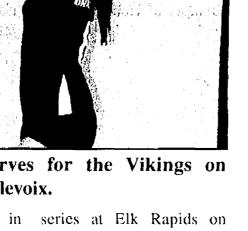
Creek to finish second in pool play. Grayling won 2-0 vs. Benzie Central in the quarterfinals but lost to Alpena 2-0 in the next

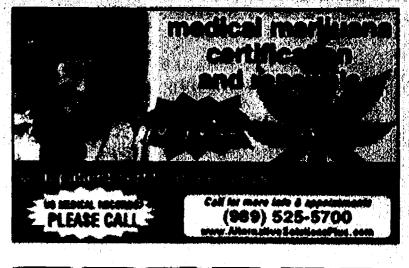
"It was a slow start on the day. Gaylord played well. They were on, hitting hard and digging everything. We couldn't put our skills together against them. And even against Dearborn Edsel we took a while to wake up. But the girls found their rhythm and played well at the end of pool play and into brackets," Coach

Szymoniak said. Swander had six aces and 71 assists. Cooper had 43 kills and 23 digs. Junttila served 38 balls with only two errors; she had four aces. Prosser had 15 kills and Stanna Dorn had 15 digs.

The Vikings (11-1 league) will end their 2011 regular season with a conference

series at Elk Rapids on Thursday, Oct. 27.







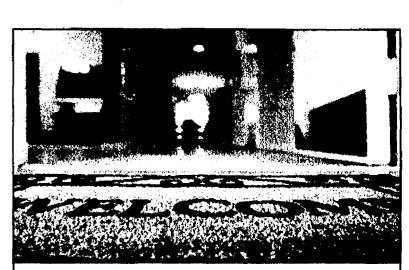


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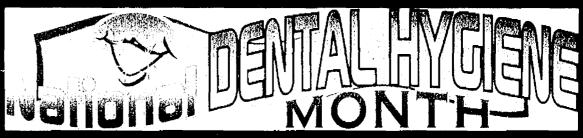
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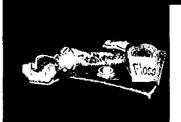


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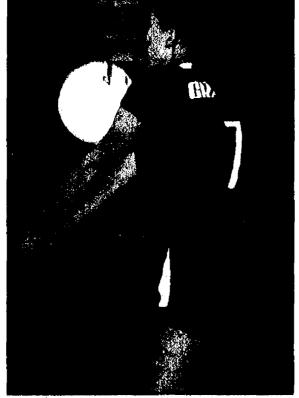
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August Ledesma, left, and Sarah Goodyear, right, hit the ball for the Vikings on Thursday.

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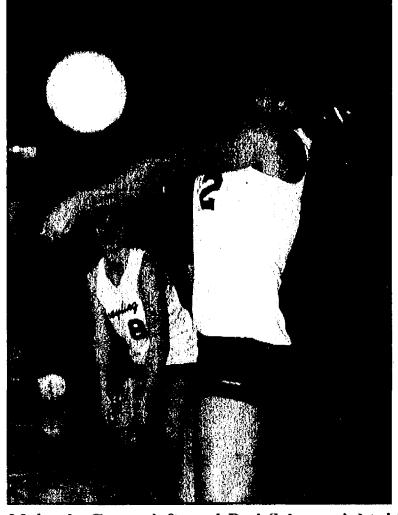
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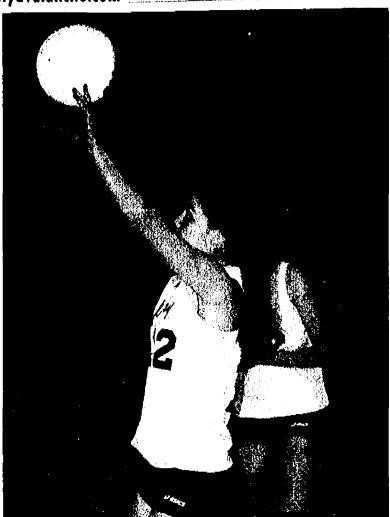
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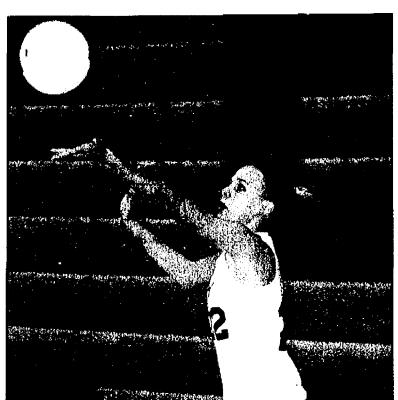
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Makayla Cragg, left, and Peri Scheer, right, hit the ball for the JV Vikings during last week's series against the Charlevoix Rayders.





Laura Simpson, left, and Rachel Money, right, serve for Grayling's JV volleyball team on Thursday night vs. Charlevoix.

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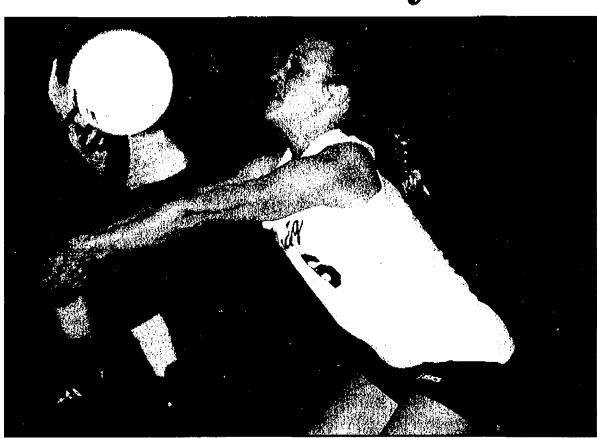


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JV volleyball squad falls to Charlevoix Rayders



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Erin Messerschmidt hits the ball for the JV Vikings during last Thursday's series vs. the visiting Charlevoix Rayders. Charlevoix won the match, edging Grayling 25-23, 25-20 in games one and two. The Vikings won game three 15-12.

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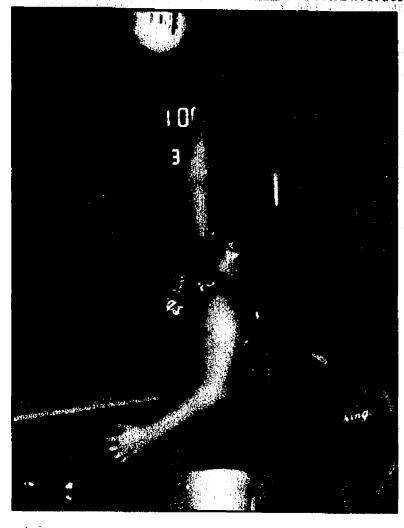
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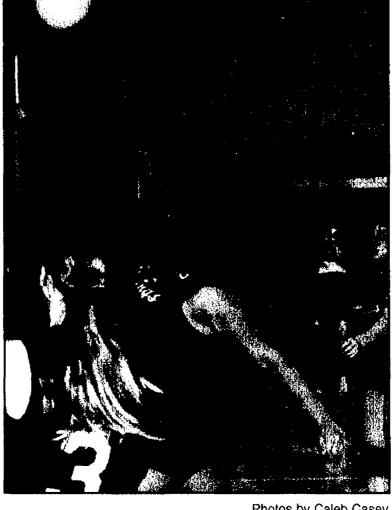
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Sydney Denno, left, and Lilie Carr, right, hit the ball from the front row during last Thursday's freshman volleyball series vs. the visiting Charlevoix Rayders. Grayling won the series 2-1 (25-15, 20-25, 25-11).

9th grade volleyball team wins 2-1 vs. Charlevoix





Allison Dorn, left, and Sierra Schreiber, right, hit the ball for the Vikings during last week's freshman volleyball series vs. Charlevoix.

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MORTGAGE SALE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, PLEASE CON-TACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreelosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in the following Mortgages given to the United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture: 1. Mortgage given by John L. Wakely, dated May 16, 1990 and recorded on May 16, 1990 in Liber 310 on pages 228 through 231 of the Crawford County Records; said Mortgage was subsequently assumed by Virginia L. Belcher; and 2. Mortgage given by Virginia Belcher, dated October 16, 1991 and recorded on October 16, 1991 in Liber 332 on pages 97 through 100 of the Crawford County Records; and 3. Mortgage given by Virginia L. Belcher, dated October 26, 1994 and recorded on October 31, 1994 in Liber 385 on pages 444 through 447 of the Crawford County Records. No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now Eighty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Three and 74/100 (\$89,983.74) Dollars. The Mortgages will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on November 16, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., local time, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan which is the location of the Crawford County Circuit Court. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgages, including interest at the rate of 8% per year, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale. The property to be sold is located in Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan and is more specifically described in the Mortgages as: Lot 14, Block 2, KAREN WOODS SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 44, Crawford County Records. The redemption period will expire thirty (30) days from the date of the sale unless a notice is received pursuant to MCL 600.3241a(1)(C) in which case the redemption period will expire six (6) months from the date of the sale. Dated: October 13,

2011 UNITED STATES OF

AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, F/K/A THE FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION, OF THE UNITED STATES DEPART-MENT OF AGRICULTURE PRE-PARED BY: JOHN R. TUCKER, P37348 WINEGARDEN, HALEY, LINDHOLM & ROBERTSON, P.L.C. G-9460 S. SAGINAW STREET, SUITE A GRAND BLANC, MI 48439 (810) 767

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NOTICE

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military. please contact our office at the number listed below, MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Warren E, Caswell and Patricia C. Caswell, Husband and Wife to Northwestern Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated January 9, 2003 and recorded January 14, 2003 in Liber 616 Page 78 Crawford County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars and Forty-Eight Cents (\$71,993.48) including interest 6% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such ease made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00 AM on November 30, 2011 Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel "7": Being a part of the East one half of Section 36, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan described Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 36, thence North 0 degrees 52 mins West along the

degrees 50 mins 7 secs West 1318.15 feet, thence North 0 degrees 52 mins 15 sees West 331.42 feet, Thence South 89 degrees 49 mins 15 secs East, 1318.20 feet; thence South 0 degrees 52 mins E along the Section line, 331.15 feet to the point of Beginning. Commonly known as 11670 S Townline Rd, Roscommon MI 48653 The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: 10/27/2011

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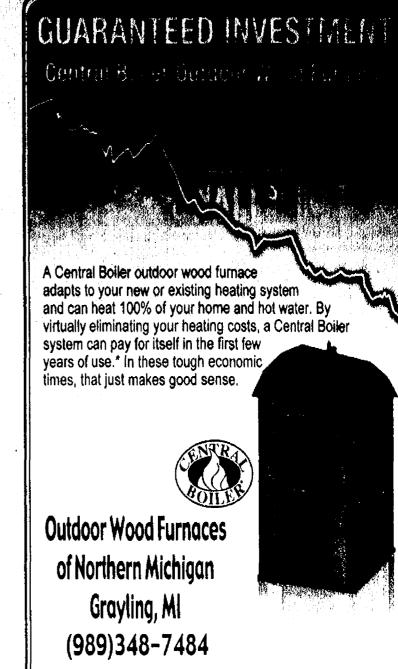
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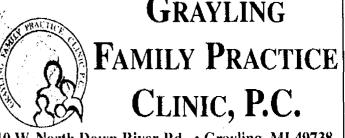
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NOTICE FORECLOSURE NOTICE (ALL COUNTIES) AS A DEBT COL-LECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPT-ING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, NOTHY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Amanda J. Mertes, A.K.A. Amanda Jo Mertes, and Harold Jay Mertes III, A.K.A. Harold Jay Mertes, wife and husband of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagor to The Huntington National Bank dated the 9th day of July, 2005, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 19th day of July, 2005, in Liber 676, Page 361 of Crawford Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$60,973.29 (sixty thousand nine hundred seventy-three

and 29/100) plus accrued interest at 6.99% (six point nine nine) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statue of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 30th day of November, 2011, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg in Grayling, MI, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the City of Grayling, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Situated in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 7, Block 1, Martha M. Brinks Second Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling; thence North 120 feet: thence East 132 feet; thence South along Mikado Street 120 feet; thence West to the point of beginning. All of same being a portion of Lot A, Block 1, Martha M. Brinks Second Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 29, Crawford County Records. Commonly known as: 406 Mikado Street Tax Parcel No.: 070-132-001-001-02 The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in with 1948CL accordance 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: October 27, 2011 By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938) Attorney for Plaintiss Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. 2155 Butterfield Drive Suite 200-S Troy, MI 48084 WWR# 10080154



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-13-20-27-3

NOTICE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-TOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-LECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMA-TION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. MORTGAGE SALE--Default has been made in the conditions of a Mortgage made by MELISSA ROTHANBURG AND SHAUN ROTHANBURG, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF AMERI-CA, Mortgagee, dated March 10, 2006, and recorded March 14, 2006, in Liber 680, Page 193, of Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this notice \$37,802.51, including interest at 12.94% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, November 23, 2011, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, Michigan. Said premises are situated in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 6, Pine Grove Subdivision, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 58, Crawford County Records; c/k/a 110 Dale St., Grayling, MI 49738 The redemption period shall be six months from the date of the sale, unless the premises are determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days. Dated: October 20, 2011 LeVasseur Dyer & Associates, PC Attorneys for Mortgagee Assignee P.O. Box 721400 Berkley, MI 48072 (248) 586-1200

-20-27-3-10

NOTICE OF **FORECLOSURE** SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by TODD E. SHIELDS, a single man, of 7283 Shields Lane, P.O. Box 764, Grayling, Michigan 49738 to FIRST FEDERAL OF NORTH-ERN MICHIGAN, 100 South Second Avenue, Alpena, Michigan 49707, dated April 14, 2005, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, on April 19, 2005 in

Liber 675, Page 44, on which there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal, interest and late fees, the sum of \$121,591.70.

As no suit or other legal proceedings have been filed to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage; Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the State of Michigan, NOTICE is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 2nd day of November, 2011 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder, at the main entrance to the County Courthouse in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan of that premises described in the mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, on the mortgage, with interest thereon at the contract rate and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sums which may be paid by the mortgagee to protect its interest in the premises.

The premises are described as fol-Situated in the Township of South

Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, described as: PARCEL F: The South 332 feet of

the North 664 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

PARCEL G: The North 332 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

PARCEL E: The South 332 feet of the North 996 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 25 North, Range 2 West.

Affidavit of Affixture of Manufactured Home for 2003 Dutch Millennium mobile home, Serial Number DHIN37987E, recorded April 28, 2005, in Liber 675, Page 194, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of the sale unless the property is determined to be abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a.

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Dated: September 29, 2011

Sandra L. Jasinski (P37430) Debt Collector for First Federal of Northern Michigan 229 Court Street, P.O. Box 405 Cheboygan, MI 49721 (231) 627-8000

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-TOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-LECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMA-TION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY, ATTN PUR-CHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Linda C. Lepper and Donald H. Lepper, Wife and Husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 29, 2007, and recorded on July 12, 2007 in Liber 687 on Page 603, and modified by agreement dated December 18, 2007, and recorded on January 3, 2008 in Liber 689 on Page 772, and modified by Affidavit or Order recorded on May 19, 2008 in Liber 691 on Page 680, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Four and 42/100 Dollars (\$68,494.42), including interest at 6.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on November 30, 2011. Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 20, Manistee Heights No. 2, Frederic Township, according to the Plat thereof, as Recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 4, Crawford County Records. Permanently affixed to the Property is a 2008 Xtreme Special Redman Homes 26'8"x56'0" manufactured home, Seriel Number 112-000-H-R-105102AB The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: October 27, 2011 For more information, please call: FC J (248) 593-1311 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys

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For Servicer 31440 Northwestern

Highway, Suite 200 Farmington

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CHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joyce Jane Parish and Ralph Parish wife and husband, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Mortgagee, dated January 4, 2006, and recorded on January 11, 2006 in Liber 679 on Page 402, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Three and 94/100 Dollars (\$88,543,94), including interest at 6.375% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on November 23, 2011. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 14, Town 26 North, Range 3 West; also the South 25 feet of the West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 14, Town 26 North Range 3 West. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: October 20, 2011 For more information, please call: FC S (248) 593-1304 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #353769F03

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Mortgage Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525

File # 375956F01 - .

STATE OF **MICHIGAN 46TH CIRCUIT** COURT ORDER FOR **SERVICE BY** PUBLICATION/ **POSTING AND** NOTICE OF ACTION CASE NO. 11-8578-CH Court address 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738

The Estate of George Dyczewski, by Renata Coleman f/k/a/ Renata Dyczewski, Personal Rep 17250 W. Sunset Blvd., #320 Pacific Palisades, CA 90272 Plaintiff's attorney Robert J. Cucco (P35046) 74 W. Long Lake Road, Suite 203 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304 (248) 647-8899

Defendant Unknown Claimants, Unknown Heirs, Devises, Legatees, and Assigns of Carmen F. Hughes, Deceased, and Archie E. Hughes, Deceased, Husband and Wife, who are the land Contract Vendors of certain real Property c/k/a/ 7860 Hi-Ridge Trail, Grayling, MI 49738 with George R. Dyczewski, Deceased, as Land Contract Vendor

The Grayling Housing Commission announces that on 10/28/2011 the PHA shall make available for public review a draft copy of its Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan at the central office location of 308 Lawndale during normal business hours of Monday-Friday from 8 am - 4:30 pm.

On December 13th, 2011 at 7:30 pm a public hearing will be held at 308 Lawndale Grayling, MI to receive any public comments prior to the plan's finalization and submission to HUD.

The Grayling Housing Commission announces that on 11/01/2011 the PHA shall make available for public review a draft of components of its Annual Agency Plan per guidelines of 24 CFR 903, a requirement of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. The document will be available Monday through Friday from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the PHA office located at 308 Lawndale, Grayling, MI.

On December 13th, 2011 at 7:30 pm a public hearing will be held at 308 Lawndale Grayling, MI to receive any public comments prior to the plan's finalization and submission to HUD.

are described as: Lot 11, Plat of Greenacre Subdivision, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 40, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600,3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: October 20, 2011 For more information, please call: FC D (248) 593-1309 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #043395F02 -20-27-3-10

NOTICE **PURSUANT TO**

MCL 600.3205a(4) NOTICE is hereby provided to Jessica McBride, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 4870 Warner Dr, Grayling, MI 49738-8643. The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1309 The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshda or at (866) 946-7432. If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from October 21, 2011, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after October 21, 2011. If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement. The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738. THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-TOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-LECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMA-TION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: October 27, 2011 For more information, please call: FC D (248) 593-1309 Troft & Troft, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer and/or Holder

Claimants, Unknown Unknown Heirs, et al as set forth above

IT IS ORDERED:

1. You are being sued in this court by the plaintiff to determine interest in real property and for specific performance of a land contract. Plaintiff claims a title interest in real property commonly known as 7860 Hi-Ridge Trail, Grayling, MI 49738 pursuant to a Land Contract with Carmen F. Hughes and Archie E. Hughes (deceased) dated November 21, 1989 and be adverse possession. The Property is legally described as: "Part of Government Lot 1, Section

28, T28N, R2W, Lovells Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 28; thence South 1 degree 33 minutes 55 seconds East (along the Section line), 676.49 feet; thence North 89 degrees 29 minutes 08 second West, 793.10 fect to the Point of Beginning; thence South 18 degrees 41 minutes East, 306 feet to the shore of K P Lake; thence South 70 degrees 24 minutes West (along said Lake Shore), 50 feet; thence North 22 degrees 43 minutes West, 333.1 feet; thence South 89 degrees 29 minutes 08 seconds East, 77.9 feet to the Point of Beginning. This parcel extends to the waters edge of K P Lake.

Tax I.D. No. 013-028-001-600-00 Survey recorded at L 255, Page 180. Crawford County Records: c/k/a/ 7860 Hi-Ridge Trail, Grayling, MI 49738

You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before December 1, 2011. If you fail to do so, a default judgement may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case,

2. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in the Crawford County Avalanche for three consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

3. Plaintiff, Estate of George R. Dyczewski, et al as set forth above shall post a copy of this order in the courthouse, and at 7860 Hi-Ridge Trail, Grayling, M1 49738 for three consecutive weeks, and shall file proof of posting in this court.

4. A copy of this order shall be sent to Richard Zambrano and Joseph Zambrano at the last-known address by registered mail, return receipt requested, before the date of the last publication, and the affidavit of mailing shall be filed with

Date 9/20/11 Judge Dennis F. Murphy P31907 for

Judge Janet M. Allen -13-20-27

STATE OF **MICHIGAN** IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No. 11-8516-CH JUDGE JANET M. ALLEN

CHRISTIANA BANK & TRUST COMPANY, Plaintiff,

SKYLINE SKI AND COUNTRY CLUB L.L.C., a Michigan limited liability company,

GE CAPITAL COLONIAL PACIFIC LEASING, a foreign corporation, et al Defendants,

ROBERT A. JAREMA (P31537) Smith Bovill, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff 200 St. Andrews Road Saginaw, MI 48638

NOTICE OF ACTION BY

(989) 792-9641

PUBLICATION

TO: GE CAPITAL COLONIAL PACIFIC LEASING

You are being sued in this court by the Plaintiff to foreclose on a Mortgage held by Plaintiff dated June 11, 2001. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before 28 days from this date. If you fail to do so, a Default Judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this case.

Dated: October 27, 2011. PREPARED BY: ROBERT A. JAREMA (P31537) Smith Bovill, P.C. 200 St. Andrews Road Saginaw, MI 48638 (989) 792-9641

-27-3-10

STATE OF **MICHIGAN** PROBATE COURT **COUNTY OF** CRAWFORD **NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate**

FILE NO. 11-7949-DE

Estate of Rex W. McMillen Date of birth: 04/03/1927.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Rex W. McMillen, who lived at 3887 W. Jones Lake Road, Michigan Grayling, 09/21/2011.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Kathy Piehl and Roger Kelley, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date 10-19-2011 Attorney Jason R. Thompson Law Office PLC P66027 P.O. Box 3042 Traverse City, MI 49685 (231) 929-8800

Personal representative Kathy Pichl and Roger Kelley 2504 W. Jones Lake Road Grayling, MI 49738 (989) 348-2255

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Grayling Charter Township Zoning Board To hold Special Hearing

The Grayling Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet in public session on Monday, November 21st, 2011, at 7 p.m. in the town hall to hear public comment on the following request(s):

Case # 11-10 Request for variance David & Wendy Pillon Petitioner:

Address:

Local Address:

Property ID#

Zoning: Lot size: Request:

4719 Desmond Beach Fort Gratiot, MI 48059 2647 River Park Drive Grayling, MI 49738 040-45-245-00-004-00 NRD - Natural River District 2.5 acres

Construct new residence on the East Branch of the AuSable River. The closest point of construction to the river will be 83-feet (including a 5-ft rise in bank), requiring a front variance of 17-feet. The closest point of construction to the west lot line is 23feet, requiring a side variance of 17-

Non-conformances: None Zoning justification: Ordinance 2010-02, Section 16.07.B

The public is encouraged to attend this hearing.

Text and maps of requests are on file in the township offices and are available for public review during normal working hours. The Grayling Township offices and meeting room are located at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling. Questions pertaining to this request may be directed to the Grayling Township Zoning Administrator at the town hall, or by calling (989) 348-4361.

Terry Wright Supervisor/Zoning Administrators

Reatures

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



October 27, 1988 - John Payne of Grayling, was out of town Saturday, the opening day of bow hunting season, but returned on Sunday at 3 p.m. By 5 p.m. he had shot this 6-point buck. His 3-year old son, Coleman was in the blind with him.

23 Years Ago October 27, 1988

Thirteen bachelors have from previous weeks. agreed to help with the United Way auction this year by volunteering an evening out with the higher bidders. The bachelors are Mike Tironi, John Cherven, Jim Humes, Ron Rakoczy, Jr., Kirk Wakefield, Paul Skonieczny, Ken Arndt, Brett Stockton, Brad Trenary, Joel Rasmussen, Bill Bedford, Jack Stewart and Bill O'Brien.

There were 10 car-deer accidents in Crawford County during the week of Oct. 17 through Oct. 23. According to the Crawford County Sheriff's

Department's weekly accident and complaint report, this number is up sharply

Deanna Phelps scored the only point in the three minute overtime period on Saturday, Oct. 22. It was a single free throw but it was enough to put the Grayling Vikings girls varsity basketball team "over the top" and send them home from Sault Ste. Marie victorious. The final score of the game was 46 - 45.

The official 1988-89 student enrollment in the Crawford AuSable School

Department of Education, is so named because it takes place annually on the fourth Friday after Labor Day. The total elementary enrollment is 860, with 607 students at Grayling Elementary and 253 at Frederic Elementary. Grayling Middle School reported a student population of 531, making the enrollment at all three buildings 1,391, substantially higher than last year's 1,324. However the enrollment at Grayling High School has dropped from last year's 560 to 487, due to an unusually small freshman class with

46 Years Ago October 28, 1965

only 100 students.

Grayling High School seniors Janice Stewart and Bob Smock were crowned Homecoming King and Queen at the after game dance in the gym on Friday night.

The Grayling Vikings football team, after having their homecoming dimmed by the Charlevoix Rayders 19 to 6, were making plans this week for their long trip to meet the Harbor Springs Rams on Friday night. Grayling will have their hands full with a big, strong Harbor Ram 11. In action this season against like oppo-

edge unless Grayling comes up with a strong, headsup performance.

On Oct.21, the 4-H Four Leaf Clovers met at the Kucharek home for the first meeting. Mrs. Kucharek and Mrs. Wilcox are the leaders. The eight new members this year are: Julie Kucharek, Gail Goss, Diane Duley, Wilcox, Julie Marie McIsaac, Jenelle Golnick, Janice Bobenmover and Mary Catherine Hunter. Jenelle Golnick was chosen for president, Diane Duley as vice-president, Mary Hunter for secretary, Gail Goss as treasurer and Marie McIsaac was chosen for reporter.

69 Years Ago October 29, 1942

Last Saturday, Grayling High School's football team continued their string of conference wins with a 41 - 0 victory over Mancelona before a slim crowd.

92 Years Ago October 30, 1919

Harold McNeven, Joe Giltner, Harry Cook and Lionel LaGrow motored to Roscommon Sunday and spent the day with friends.

Miss Vera Cameron resigned her position at the post office and leaves for Bay City to teach in the public schools. Miss Nina Peterson will fill the vacan-

CROSSWORD

Across

1. Musical sign 5. Wearing shoes 9. Prison guard, in slang

15. O. Henry's "The Gift of the

16. Ancient

17. Adjoin 18. Sundae topper, perhaps 19. Auto pioneer Citroen

20. Habitual procedure (2 wds) 23. Determined beforehand

24. Backless seats with three 27. Treatment of illness

31. Baby's first word, maybe 32. Cottontail's tail

35. Dash 36. Affectedly creative 37. Unacceptable diplomat (3

40. Ancient colonnade 41. -friendly

42. BBs, e.g. 43. Adage 44. More beneficial to the envi-

ronment 46. Magnetic induction units

48. Dorm room staple 53. Method of examining in minute detail (3 wds)

57. Fem's leaf 59. Hip bones

60. Clare Booth ____, American playwright 61. ___ dark space (region in a

vacuum tube) 62. Effort 63. Long, long time

64. Golden Horde member 65. Bind 66. Quaker's "you"

Down

at the bit 2. Work

3. Avoid 4. Unborn offspring

5. Peanut butter choice 6. Dwell

7. Arch type 8. Christian name 9. Ramshackle hut

10. Complex unit 11. Message transmitted by

wireless telegraphy 12. "To ____ is human ..."

13. 25th letter 21. Begin (2 wds)

22. Colorado resort

25. Kind of ticket __ bean

28. Clear, as a disk 29. Hindu gueen

__ squash

32. Bristles 33. Type of embroidery stitch (2

wds) 34. __ Today

36. Branch 37. "Check this out!"

38. Care for 39. Role for Dana

44. Male goose

45. Heir's concern 47. ___ Evans, "Dynasty"

actress 49. Enthusiastic approval

50. Not smooth 51. Host

52. Corpulent

54. Fastidious

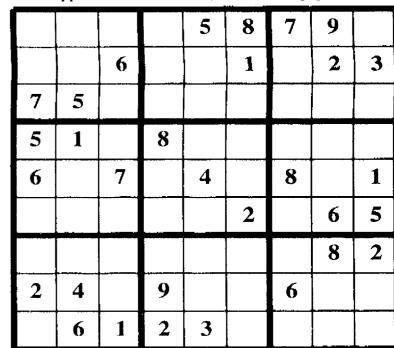
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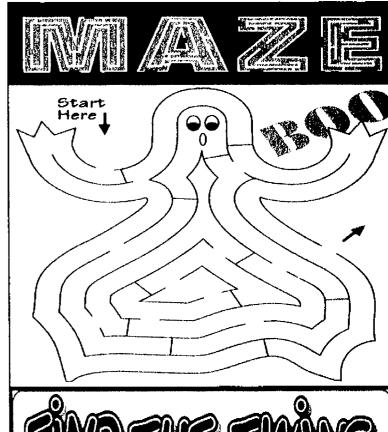
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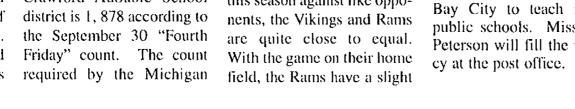


(PUZZLE #09 Medium, Difficulty Rating 0.46) ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS









Week of October 23, 2011



December 22-

January 19

January 20-

February 18

February 19-

will go smoothly as long as you take the paperwork

time to collect the right Listlessness takes hold at home. Break it up

Inventiveness counts,

Aquarius. There is a

better way of doing

find it, and it's not

expect. Good luck.

Every time you try to

something gets in your

about it, Pisces. Life is

going to settle down

finish a repair,

soon enough.

way. Don't worry

what you might

things. It's up to you to

A business transaction



April 20-

May 20

May 21-

June 21

Suspicions mount at work. Keep yours to yourself, Aries. This is one battle you do no vant to be a part of. Vacation plans stall for

A proposal receives

mixed reviews. Look

at it from every angle

before you form an

organization can no

Things are looking up,

Gentini, Gifts from the

heart are exchanged

personal matter is put

to rest. A shopping trip

with friends brings out

among family, A

the best in you

opinion, Taurus, A

mission in

longer wait.



July 23-

August 22

August 23-

September 22

News from home rocks your world. Breathe, Cancer, breathe. A colleague invites you to lunch. Say yes. They have something nportant to tell you.

You're always on the

go, Leo, and it's

starting to wear on

you. Slow down and

take time out to smell

returned in a way you

You fall out of favor

with someone dear to

your heart. Do what

their good graces,

recommended

Virgo. Fudging on a

matter at work is not

you can to get back in

the roses. A favor is

never expected.

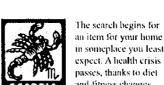


Libra, as a friend incredible offer. More surprises are in store for the weekend.

Get ready to scoop up

the deal of a lifetime,

September 23-October 22





in someplace you least expect. A health crisis passes, thanks to diet and fitness changes. Keep up the good work, Scorpio.

October 23-November 21



You're finally

rewarded for all of

your hard work, and

it's okay to smile about



December 21

it. You did a good job. A kitchen mishap ends in laughter. Who knew, Sagittarius'

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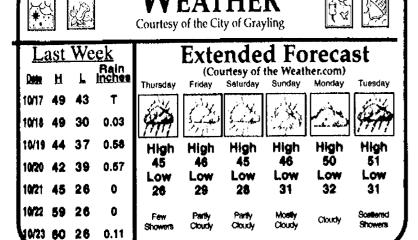


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PLACE cupcakes in muffin pan cups. Use large fork to pierce holes at 1/4-inch intervals in tops of cubcakes.

ADD boiling water to gelatin mix; stir 2 min. until completely dissolved. Drizzle over cupcakes with small spoon.

REFRIGERATE 3 hours or until gelatin is firm. When ready to serve, dip bottom of muffin pan in warm water 10 sec.; unmold onto serving plate. Frost with whipped topping. Garnish with remaining ingredients.

> Prep Time: 20 min Total Time Registers Makes Mirrare

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THE GRAYLING AMERI-CAN LEGION is having a

"Teen" Halloween Dance on Oct. 31, from 7 - 10 p.m. Join us for a costume contest, music, dancing and fun events. (-27/8)

HAUNTED TRAIL at Cindy Lou's Zoo - Oct. 21, 22 & Oct. 28, 29, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. \$7 per person. Roscommon, M1., 989-275-4500, www.cindylouszoo.com, (-20-27/8)

GUN SHOW - Sat. Oct. 29, Grayling Ramada Inn, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission \$5. For more info, 989-280-2469. (-29-6-13-20-27/8)

FOREST OF FEAR a haunted trail walk. \$5 admission. Proceeds to be donated to local charities. Last 4 weekends in October, 1316 Stephan Bridge Rd., Grayling. For more information, contact Tom Cojocar 989-390-6241. (-29-6-13-20-27/8)

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR Place your organization's events on Crawford County's Community Calendar. Go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, under services, to submit your event. For more information, call our office at 989-348-6811. (-3/19/09tf/8)

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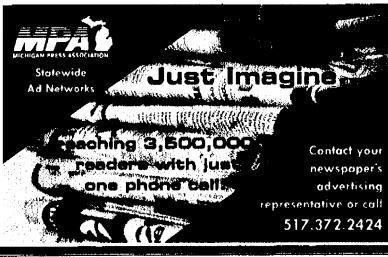
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The USPS held a public meeting on Oct 20 to announce its plan to move mail processing for all 497 zip codes from Gaylord to Traverse City.

At this meeting the data used came under heavy scrutiny by the public with the USPS appearing to overstate its savings. The USPS could not explain how current mail standards will be maintained in a decentralized location. Further it is moving mail from a more efficient facility to a less efficient one.

We believe this move will cost the post office money, slow down mail service and remove 55 jobs from northern Michigan.

You can help stop this from happening by writing to: Manager Consumer & Industry Contact, Greater Michigan District, PO Box 999631. Grand Rapids MI 49599-9631.

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Camp Grayling receives environmental award

Camp Grayling was recently recognized for outstanding work in environmental programs by the Army National Guard (NGB) Bureau Environmental Division.

The installation placed 2010 in the Sustainability category for Non-Industrial Installations in the NGB Environmental Securities Awards Program. This is a nation-wide program developed by the Army National Guard to recognize the leaders in environmental stewardship.

As a 2nd place recipient, Camp Grayling will continue to represent the Army National Guard in the Department of the Army's Environmental Awards Program.

Major Robson, Chief of



Camp Grayling was recognized for their environmental stewardship with an Army National Guard Bureau Environmental Securities Award. Above, left to right, accepting the award for Camp Grayling are: CW2 Jennifer Summers, James Cox, and MAJ James W. Robson.

Engineering for Camp Grayling credits the efforts of his staff and the soldiers who work and train at Camp Grayling for making this program successful.

The Michigan Army Guard's National (MIARNG) Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center encompasses over 147,000 acres, making it the largest National Guard training installation in the country. Over the past two years, the installation's sustainability and pollution prevention programs have contributed to the base's standing as a regional and national environmental leader.

Camp Grayling saves money and resources with strategic planning. An ongoing aggressive construction plan has meant that a number of old buildings and facilities on post have been deconstructed in the past two years. The installation has recovered and stored deconstruction materials like concrete and block material to be crushed and reused in material. Grayling stores deconstruction debris until a sufficient amount is accumulated to make contracted crushing cost effective, avoiding the costs of disposing of this material or purchasing new materials for road construc-

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Roscommon and West Branch-Rose City School Districts. Powers said passage of the millage is critical for all school

topsoil might normally be spread to prevent erosion. Clean stumps can also be transported to the local alternative energy plant and burned to produce energy.

Camp Grayling's Recycling Program serves the dual purposes of environmental stewardship and fisresponsibility. Recyclable materials are themselves viewed resources that can be re-utilized or re-sold; approaching recyclables in this way also results in costs associated with disposal, hauling and landfill fees.

The sustainability program has strong ties with the local township recycling center, and has assisted with training and development of their recycling program.

Camp Grayling also provides educational opportunities for area schools. Each year staff from the environmental office participates in Lake Saver Day, which features a number of demonstrations on pollution prevention and water conservation to local fourth grade classes. The installation's conservation club conducts hunter safety and conservation classes and staff also helps conduct bike safety presentations for schools.

Camp Grayling staff also participates in the Adopt-a-Forest and Adopt-a-Highway programs as well. This commitment to the community has helped to establish Camp Grayling and the MIARNG as a strong partner in the community and of the environment.

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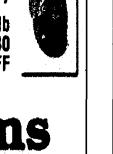


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